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(54) **High fidelity Not1 restriction endonucleases**

(57) *Inter alia*, a composition characterized in that it
comprises: a restriction endonuclease enzyme having at
least one artificially introduced mutation and an overall
fidelity index (FI) improvement factor of at least 2, the
restriction endonuclease being capable of cleaving a
substrate with at least a similar cleavage activity to that
of the restriction endonuclease absent the artificially in-
troduced mutation, in a predetermined buffer, wherein

the artificially introduced mutation is the product of at
least one of a targeted mutation, saturation mutagenesis,
or a mutation introduced through a PCR amplification
procedure, and wherein the restriction endonuclease ab-
sent the artificially introduced mutation is NotI and the
artificially introduced mutation is selected from: K176A;
R177A; R253A; and K150A is disclosed.

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Description**BACKGROUND**

[0001] Restriction endonucleases are enzymes that cleave doublestranded DNAs in a sequence-specific manner (Roberts, R.J., Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A, 102:5905-5908 (2005); Roberts, et al., Nucleic Acids Res, 31:1805-1812 (2003); Roberts, et al., Nucleic Acids Res, 33:D230-232 (2005); Alves, et al., Restriction Endonucleases, "Protein Engineering of Restriction Enzymes," ed. Pingoud, Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg, New York, 393-407 (2004)). They are ubiquitously present among prokaryotic organisms (Raleigh, et al., Bacterial Genomes Physical Structure and Analysis, Ch.8, eds. De Bruijn, et al., Chapman & Hall, New York, 78-92 (1998)), in which they form part of restriction-modification systems, which mainly consist of an endonuclease and a methyltransferase. The cognate methyltransferase methylates the same specific sequence that its paired endonuclease recognizes and renders the modified DNA resistant to cleavage by the endonuclease so that the host DNA can be properly protected. However, when there is an invasion of foreign DNA, in particular bacteriophage DNA, the foreign DNA will be degraded before it can be completely methylated. The major biological function of the restriction-modification system is to protect the host from bacteriophage infection (Arber, Science, 205:361-365 (1979)). Other functions have also been suggested, such as involvement in recombination and transposition (Carlson, et al., Mol Microbiol, 27:671-676 (1998); Heitman, Genet Eng (N Y), 15:57-108 (1993); McKane, et al., Genetics, 139:35-43 (1995)).

[0002] The specificity of the approximately 3,000 known restriction endonucleases for their greater than 250 different target sequences could be considered their most interesting characteristic. After the discovery of the sequence-specific nature of the first restriction endonuclease (Danna, et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A, 68: 2913-2917 (1971); Kelly, et al., J Mol Biol, 51:393-409 (1970)), it did not take long for scientists to find that certain restriction endonucleases cleave sequences which are similar but not identical to their defined recognition sequences under non-optimal conditions (Polisky, et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A, 72:3310-3314 (1975); Nasri, et al., Nucleic Acids Res, 14:811-821 (1986)). This relaxed specificity is referred to as star activity of the restriction endonuclease. It has been suggested that water-mediated interactions between the restriction endonuclease and DNA are the key differences between specific complexes and star complexes (Robinson, et al., J Mol Biol, 234:302-306 (1993); Robinson, et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A, 92: 3444-3448 (1995); Sidorova, et al., Biophys J, 87:2564-2576 (2004)).

[0003] Star activity is a problem in molecular biology reactions. Star activity introduces undesirable cuts in a cloning vector or other DNA. In cases such as forensic applications, where a certain DNA substrate needs to be cleaved by a restriction endonuclease to generate a unique fingerprint, star activity will alter a cleavage pattern profile, thereby complicating analysis. Avoiding star activity is also critical in applications such as strand displacement amplification (Walker, et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A, 89:392-396 (1992)) and serial analysis of gene expression (Velculescu, et al., Science, 270:484-487 (1995)).

SUMMARY

[0004] In an embodiment of the invention, a composition is provided that includes a restriction endonuclease having at least one artificially introduced mutation and an overall fidelity index (FI) improvement factor of at least two, the restriction endonuclease being capable of cleaving a substrate with at least a similar cleavage activity to that of the restriction endonuclease absent the artificially introduced mutation in a predetermined buffer, the artificially introduced mutation being the product of at least one of a targeted mutation, saturation mutagenesis, or a mutation introduced through a PCR amplification procedure.

[0005] In a further embodiment of the invention, at least one of the artificially introduced mutations is a targeted mutation resulting from replacement of a naturally occurring residue with an oppositely charged residue. An Alanine or a Phenylalanine may replace the naturally occurring residue at the target site.

[0006] In a further embodiment of the invention, a composition of the type described above includes a restriction enzyme absent the artificially introduced mutation selected from the group consisting of: BamHI, EcoRI, ScaI, Sall, SphI, PstI, NcoI, NheI, SspI, NotI, SacI, PvuII, MfeI, HindIII, SbfI, EagI, EcoRV, AvrII, BstXI, PciI, HpaI, AgeI, BsmBI, BspQI, SapI, KpnI and BsaI.

[0007] Further embodiments of the invention include compositions listed in Table 4.

[0008] In a further embodiment of the invention, a DNA encoding any of the enzymes listed in Table 4 is provided, a vector comprising the DNA and a host cell for expressing the protein from the vector.

[0009] In an embodiment of the invention, a method is provided having the steps of (a) identifying which amino acid residues in an amino acid sequence of a restriction endonuclease having star activity are charged amino acids; (b) mutating one or more codons encoding one or more of the charged residues in a gene sequence encoding the restriction endonuclease; (c) generating a library of gene sequences having one or more different codon mutations in different charged residues; (d) obtaining a set of proteins expressed by the mutated gene sequences; and (e) determining an FI

in a predetermined buffer and a cleavage activity for each expressed protein.

[0010] An embodiment of the method includes the step of determining an overall FI improvement factor for proteins belonging to the set of proteins in a defined set of buffers where for example, the set of buffers contains NEB1, NEB2, NEB3 and NEB4 buffers.

[0011] An embodiment of the method includes the steps described above and additionally mutating codons encoding hydroxylated amino acids or amide amino acids in a same or subsequent step to that of mutating codons for the charged amino acids.

[0012] In an embodiment of the invention described above, the codons are mutated to an Alanine except for Tyrosine which is mutated to a Phenylalanine.

[0013] In a further embodiment, the overall FI improvement factor is improved using saturation mutagenesis of one or more of the mutated codon.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0014] For Figures 1-32:

[0015] The * symbol indicates the lane to its left that contains the lowest concentration of enzyme for which star activity is observed.

[0016] The # symbol refers to the lane showing incomplete cleavage, which is adjacent to and to the right side of the lane containing a concentration of enzyme sufficient for complete cleavage of the substrate.

[0017] The gray triangle denotes the serial decrease of restriction endonuclease concentration.

[0018] "U" denotes units of enzyme.

[0019] In each of the reactions described in Figures 1-32, the reaction mixture contains a volume of 3 μ l unless otherwise specified of a buffer from New England Biolabs, Inc. (NEB), Ipswich, MA, (see Table 1 and NEB catalog), 3 μ l unless otherwise specified of a specified restriction endonuclease in a diluent from NEB, Ipswich, MA (See Table 1 and NEB catalog) as well as variable volumes of specified substrate (containing 0.6 μ g) substrate and a volume of water to bring the reaction mixture to a total of 30 μ l. Reactions were conducted at 37°C for an incubation time of 1 hour. The results are analyzed on a 0.8% agarose gel. Where the overall volume of the reaction mix, amount of substrate, temperature of the reaction or incubation time varies from above, values are provided in the description of the figures.

[0020] The theoretical digestion pattern is provided on the right side of the gel for Figures 1, 5, 8, 11-18 and 20-32. Those substrates with only one restriction endonuclease site should be digested into one linear band from supercoiled form.

Figure 1 shows the determination of the FI for wild type (WT) Scal by digesting 1.2 μ l lambda DNA substrate (0.6 μ g) with a two-fold serial dilution using diluent A of a preparation of WT Scal (1,200 U) in NEB3 buffer and examining the digestion products on an agarose gel. The highest concentration of a restriction endonuclease with no star activity is shown with a solid arrow; and the minimum concentration giving rise to complete digestion of substrate is shown with a hollow arrow.

Figures 2A-D show the results of digesting 0.5 μ l pUC19 substrate (0.5 μ g) with WT BamHI or BamHI(E86P) enzyme in a three-fold serial dilution using diluent A for 1 hour at a starting concentration of 172 U or 512 U. The middle lane is the NEB 1 kb marker (New England Biolabs, Inc. (NEB), Ipswich, MA).

Fig. 2A shows results using NEB1 buffer.

Fig. 2B shows results using NEB2 buffer.

Fig. 2C shows results using NEB3 buffer.

Fig. 2D shows results using NEB4 buffer.

Figures 3A-B show a comparison of BamHI(E86P) activity over two time periods using 0.6 μ l pBR322 substrate (which contains only 1 BamHI cleavage site) in NEB2 buffer using an initial concentration of 600 U of enzyme in a 2-fold serial dilution using diluent A.

Fig. 3A shows results in 1 hour.

Fig. 3B shows results in 14 hours.

Figures 4A-B show the cleavage of 0.6 μ l pBR322 substrate in a 2-fold serial dilution of BamHI-HF (E163A/E167T) using diluent A after 14 hours incubation in two different buffers on an agarose gel.

Fig. 4A shows the results with NEB2 buffer with an initial concentration of 600 U of enzyme.

Fig. 4B shows the results with NEB1 buffer with an initial concentration of 2,400 U of enzyme.

Figures 5A-B show a comparison of cleavage reactions using BamHI-HF and WT BamHI in NEB4 buffer. The

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reaction was carried out in NEB4 buffer using 1.2 μ l lambda DNA substrate in a 2-fold serial dilution using diluent A. Fig. 5A shows WT BamHI with a starting concentration of 1,200 U where the FI equals 4. Fig. 5B shows BamHI-HF with a starting concentration of 2,400 U where the FI $\geq$ 4000.

Figures 6A-D show a comparison of WT EcoRI and EcoRI(K62A) in NEB1-4 buffers in a 3-fold serial dilution using NEB diluent C. The reaction mixture contained 2 μ l lambda DNA substrate (1 μ g) in NEB1-4 buffers.

Fig. 6A shows the cleavage results following 2-fold serial dilution, 120 U WT EcoRI and 240 U of EcoRI (K62A) in NEB2 buffer.

Fig. 6B shows the cleavage results following 2-fold serial dilution, 120 U WT EcoRI and 240 U of EcoRI (K62A) in NEB4 buffer.

Fig. 6C shows the cleavage results following 2-fold serial dilution, 60 U WT EcoRI and 120 U of EcoRI (K62A) in NEB1 buffer.

Fig. 6D shows the cleavage results following 2-fold serial dilution, 120 U WT EcoRI and 60 U of EcoRI (K62A) in NEB3 buffer.

Figures 7A-C show the cleavage results with 2 different EcoRI mutants and WT EcoRI. The digestion of 100,000 U of enzyme and a 10-fold serial dilution thereof in diluent C over 10 hours using 0.6 μ l of Litmus28 substrate in various buffers is shown. There is only one EcoRI cleavage site in Litmus28 substrate.

Fig. 7A: EcoRI mutant K62E in NEB4 buffer.

Fig 7B: EcoRI mutant K62A in NEB4 buffer.

Fig 7C: WT EcoRI in EcoRI buffer (see NEB catalog 2007-8).

Figures 8A-B shows a comparison of EcoRI-HF and WT EcoRI in NEB4 buffer. The reaction utilized 1.2 μ l lambda DNA substrate in a 2-fold serial dilution using diluent C.

Fig. 8A: WT EcoRI with a starting concentration of 19,200 U reveals a FI=4 in NEB4 buffer.

Fig. 8B: EcoRI-HF with a starting concentration of 38,400 U reveals a FI=16,000 in NEB4 buffer.

Figures 9A-B shows a comparison of serial dilutions of WT Scal (4.8 U), Scal(H193A) (9.6 U), Scal(S201F) (19.2 U), and Scal(H193A/S201F) (19.2 U). Each sample was initially diluted by 1/10, followed by a 2-fold serial dilution in NEB2 buffer with the specified percentage of glycerol. Each reaction mixture contains 2 μ l of lambda DNA substrate (1 μ g).

Fig. 9A: 5% glycerol.

Fig 9B: 37% glycerol.

Figures 10A-D shows a comparison of WT Scal and Scal-HF (H193A/5201F). The enzymes (unit concentration as specified) were each diluted in a 2.5-fold serial dilution with diluent A. The reaction mixture contains 2 μ l lambda DNA substrate and NEB1-4 buffers.

Fig. 10A: cleavage in NEB2 buffer.

Fig. 10B: cleavage in NEB4 buffer.

Fig. 10C: cleavage in NEB1 buffer.

Fig. 10D: cleavage in NEB3 buffer.

Figures 11A-H show the FI determination for Sall-HF and WT Sall. Both enzymes were diluted in 2-fold serial dilutions using diluent A. The reaction mixture contains 2 μ l HindIII-digested lambda DNA substrate.

Figs. 11A, B, C and D show a serial dilution of 1,200 U, 1,200 U, 300 U and 1,200 U of Sall-HF demonstrating a FI $\geq$ 1,000, FI $\geq$ 2,000, FI $\geq$ 500 and FI $\geq$ 2,000 in NEB1, 2, 3 and 4 buffers, respectively.

Figs. 11E, F, G, and H show a serial dilution of 19.2 U, 150 U, 9,600 U and 38.4 U of WT Sall demonstrating a FI =8, FI=1, FI=32 and FI=1 in NEB1, 2, 3 and 4 buffers, respectively.

Figures 12A-B show the results of a 2-fold serial dilution of SphI-HF (19,200 U) in diluent A and WT SphI (143,600 U) in diluent B reacted in NEB 4 buffer with 1.2 μ l lambda DNA substrate.

Fig. 12A shows cleavage by WT SphI.

Fig. 12B shows cleavage by SphI-HF.

Figures 13A-B show cleavage of 1.2 μ l lambda DNA substrate using 2-fold serial dilutions of PstI-HF (300 U and 150 U) and 2-fold serial dilutions of WT PstI (2,400 U and 4,800 U) in NEB3 and NEB4 buffers, respectively. Serial dilutions were performed in diluent C.

Fig. 13A shows cleavage by PstI-HF in NEB4 buffer (upper panel) and NEB3 buffer (lower panel).

Fig. 13B shows cleavage by WT PstI in NEB4 buffer (upper panel) and NEB3 buffer (lower panel).

Figures 14A-B show cleavage of 1.2 μ l lambda DNA substrate using 2-fold serial dilutions of NcoI-HF (4,800 U and 600 U) and 2-fold serial dilutions of WT NcoI (4,800 U and 1,200 U) in NEB3 and NEB4 buffers, respectively. Serial dilutions were performed in diluent A.

Fig. 14A shows cleavage by NcoI-HF in NEB4 buffer (upper panel) and NEB3 buffer (lower panel).

Fig. 14B shows cleavage by WT NcoI in NEB4 buffer (upper panel) and NEB3 buffer (lower panel).

Figures 15A-B show cleavage of 1.2 μ l pXba DNA substrate using 2-fold serial dilutions of NheI-HF (287,200 U and 76.8 U) and 2-fold serial dilutions of WT NheI (9,600 U and 300 U) in NEB3 and NEB4 buffers, respectively. Serial dilutions were performed in diluent A.

Fig. 15A shows cleavage by NheI-HF in NEB4 buffer (upper panel) and NEB3 buffer (lower panel).

Fig. 15B shows cleavage by WT NheI in NEB4 buffer (upper panel) and NEB3 buffer (lower panel).

Figures 16A-B show cleavage of 1.2 μ l lambda DNA substrate using 2-fold serial dilutions of SspI-HF (9,600 U and 38.4 U) and 2-fold serial dilutions of WT SspI (19,200 U and 19,200 U) in NEB3 and NEB4 buffers, respectively. Serial dilutions were performed in diluent C.

Fig. 16A shows cleavage by SspI-HF in NEB4 buffer (upper panel) and NEB3 buffer (lower panel).

Fig. 16B shows cleavage by WT SspI in NEB4 buffer (upper panel) and NEB3 buffer (lower panel).

Figures 17A-B show cleavage of 1.2 μ l pXba DNA substrate using 2-fold serial dilutions of NotI-HF (287,200 U and 19,200 U) and 2-fold serial dilutions of WT NotI (19,200 U and 76,800 U) in NEB3 and NEB4 buffers, respectively. Serial dilutions were performed in diluent C.

Fig. 17A shows cleavage by NotI-HF in NEB4 buffer (upper panel) and NEB3 buffer (lower panel).

Fig. 17B shows cleavage by WT NotI in NEB4 buffer (upper panel) and NEB3 buffer (lower panel).

Figures 18A-B show cleavage of 1.2 μ l pXba DNA substrate using 2-fold serial dilutions of SacI-HF (4,800 U and 76.8 U) and 2-fold serial dilutions of WT SacI (19,200 U and 1200 U) in NEB3 and NEB4 buffers, respectively. Serial dilutions were performed in diluent A.

Fig. 18A shows cleavage by SacI-HF in NEB4 buffer (upper panel) and NEB3 buffer (lower panel).

Fig. 18B shows cleavage by WT SacI in NEB4 buffer (upper panel) and NEB3 buffer (lower panel).

Figures 19A-B show cleavage of 0.6 μ l pBR322 DNA substrate using 2-fold serial dilutions of PvuII-HF (9,600 U and 19.2 U) and 2-fold serial dilutions of WT PvuII (19,200 U and 300 U) in NEB3 and NEB4 buffers, respectively. Serial dilutions were performed in diluent A.

Fig. 19A shows cleavage by PvuII-HF in NEB4 buffer (upper panel) and NEB3 buffer (lower panel)

Fig. 19B shows cleavage by WT PvuII in NEB4 buffer (upper panel) and NEB3 buffer (lower panel).

Figures 20A-B show cleavage of 1.2 μ l lambda DNA substrate using 2-fold serial dilutions of MfeI-HF (300 U and 19.2 U) and 2-fold serial dilutions of WT MfeI (2,400 U and 38.4 U) in NEB3 and NEB4 buffers, respectively. Serial dilutions were performed in diluent A.

Fig. 20A shows cleavage by MfeI-HF in NEB4 buffer (upper panel) and NEB3 buffer (lower panel).

Fig. 20B shows cleavage by WT MfeI in NEB4 buffer (upper panel) and NEB3 buffer (lower panel).

Figures 21A-B show cleavage of 1.2 μ l lambda DNA substrate using a 2-fold serial dilution of HindIII-HF (4,800 U and 1,200 U) and a 2-fold serial dilution of WT HindIII (9,600 U and 4,800 U) in NEB3 and NEB4 buffers, respectively. Serial dilutions were performed in diluent A.

Fig. 21A shows cleavage by HindIII-HF in NEB4 buffer (upper panel) and NEB3 buffer (lower panel).

Fig. 21B shows cleavage by WT HindIII in NEB4 buffer (upper panel) and NEB3 buffer (lower panel)

Figures 22A-B show cleavage of 1.2 μ l lambda DNA substrate in a 2-fold serial dilution using diluent C of SbfI-HF (starting concentration: 76,800 U) and WT SbfI (starting concentration: 76,800 U) in NEB4 buffer.

Fig. 22A shows cleavage by WT SbfI.

Fig. 22B shows cleavage by SbfI-HF.

Figures 23A-B shows cleavage of 1.2 μ l pXba DNA substrate in a 2-fold serial dilution of EagI-HF (1,200 U and 600 U) and a 2-fold serial dilution of WT EagI (150 U and 38.4 U) in NEB2 and NEB1 buffers, respectively, using diluent C.

Fig. 23A shows cleavage by EagI-HF in NEB2 buffer (upper panel) and NEB1 buffer (lower panel).

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Fig. 23B shows cleavage by WT EagI in NEB2 buffer (upper panel) and NEB1 buffer (lower panel).

Figures 24A-B show cleavage of 1.2 μ l pXba DNA substrate in a two-fold serial dilution using diluent A of EcoRV-HF (starting concentration: 38,400 U) and WT EcoRV (starting concentration: 2400 U) in NEB4 buffer.

Fig. 24A shows cleavage by WT EcoRV.

Fig. 24B shows cleavage by EcoRV-HF.

Figures 25A-B show cleavage of 1.2 μ l T7 DNA substrate in a two-fold serial dilution using diluent A of AvrII-HF (starting concentration: 1,200 U) and WT AvrII (starting concentration: 1,200 U) in NEB4 buffer.

Fig. 25A shows cleavage by WT AvrII.

Fig. 25B shows cleavage by AvrII-HF.

Figures 26A-B show cleavage of 1.2 μ l lambda DNA substrate by a two-fold serial dilution in diluent A of BstXI-HF (starting concentration: 300 U) and WT BstXI (starting concentration: 38.4 U) in NEB4 buffer. The reaction was performed at 55°C.

Fig. 26A shows cleavage by WT BstXI.

Fig. 26B shows cleavage by BstXI-HF.

Figures 27A-B show cleavage of 1.2 μ l pXba DNA substrate in a two-fold serial dilution using diluent A of PciI-HF (starting concentration: 600 U) and WT PciI (starting concentration 300 U) in NEB4 buffer.

Fig. 27A shows cleavage by WT PciI.

Fig. 27B shows cleavage by PciI-HF.

Figures 28A-B show cleavage of 1.2 μ l lambda DNA substrate in a two-fold serial dilution using diluent A of HpaI-HF (starting concentration: 4,800 U) and WT HpaI (starting concentration 9,600 U) in NEB2 buffer.

Fig. 28A shows cleavage by WT HpaI.

Fig. 28B shows cleavage by HpaI-HF.

Figures 29A-B show cleavage of 1.2 μ l pXba DNA substrate in a two-fold serial dilution of AgeI-HF using diluent C (starting concentration: 600 U) and WT AgeI (starting concentration 600 U) in NEB4 buffer.

Fig. 29A shows cleavage by WT AgeI.

Fig. 29B shows cleavage by AgeI-HF.

Figures 30A-B show cleavage of 1.2 μ l lambda DNA substrate in a two-fold serial dilution using diluent A of BsmBI-HF (starting concentration: 300 U) and WT BsmBI (starting concentration 4,800 U) in NEB4 buffer. The reaction is at 55°C.

Fig. 30A shows cleavage by WT BsmBI.

Fig. 30B shows cleavage by BsmBI-HF.

Figures 31A-B show the DNA sequence (SEQ ID NO:1) and protein sequence (SEQ ID NO:2) of MluCIM, respectively, for expression of EcoRI and MfeI.

Figure 32 shows the DNA sequence (SEQ ID NO:3) of Hpy166IIM for expression of SalI.

Figures 33A-B show the DNA sequence (SEQ ID NO:4) and protein sequence (SEQ ID NO:5) of MfeI, respectively.

Figures 34A-B show the DNA sequence (SEQ ID NO:6) and protein sequence (SEQ ID NO:7) of BstXI, respectively.

Figures 35A-B show the DNA sequence (SEQ ID NO:8) and protein sequence (SEQ ID NO:9) of M.BstXI, respectively.

Figures 36A-B show the DNA sequence (SEQ ID NO:10) and protein sequence (SEQ ID NO:11) of S.BstXI, respectively.

Figures 37A-B show the DNA sequence (SEQ ID NO:12) and protein sequence (SEQ ID NO:13) of PciI, respectively.

Figures 38A-B show the DNA sequence (SEQ ID NO:14) and protein sequence (SEQ ID NO:15) of M.PciI, respectively.

Figure 39 shows the DNA sequence (SEQ ID NO:17) encoding M1.EarI that recognizes CTCTTC and methylates at N4 cytosine or N6 adenine for cloning SspI and BspQI.

Figure 40 shows the DNA sequence (SEQ ID NO:18) encoding M2.EarI that recognizes CTCTTC and methylates at N4 cytosine or N6 adenine for cloning SspI and BspQI.

Figures 41A-B show agarose gels to determine the FI of 1 μ l WT BspQI and 1 μ l mutant (K279P/R388F) BspQI (starting concentrations 512 U and 1,024 U, respectively) by cleaving 1 μ l pUC19 DNA substrate in a two-fold serial dilution using diluent A and NEB1 buffer plus 10% glycerol. The reaction was conducted at 50°C.

Figure 42 shows agarose gels to determine the FI of 5 μ l WT SspI and 5 μ l mutant (K273A) SspI (starting concentrations 32 U and 16 U, respectively) by cleaving pUC19 DNA substrate in a two-fold serial dilution using diluent A and NEB2 buffer plus 25% DMSO.

Figures 43A-B show catalytic and star activity of pXba by 5 μ l WT KpnI and 5 μ l D16N/E132A/D148E KpnI (initial concentrations 32 U and 256 U, respectively). The enzyme digested 2 μ l pXba DNA substrate (0.5 μ g) in a 2-fold serial dilution in NEB2 buffer using a diluent containing 10 mM Tris-HCl, pH 7.4, 50 mM KCl, 0.1 mM EDTA, 1 mM DTT and 50% glycerol with the total volume made up to 50 μ l with water.

Fig. 45A shows the cleavage results of WT KpnI.

Fig. 45B shows the cleavage results of D16N/E132A/D148E KpnI.

Figure 44A-D show the amino acid sequences of the enzymes in Table 1 and the DNA sequences of the enzymes in Table 1 that have not been previously disclosed.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE EMBODIMENTS

[0021] Embodiments of the invention provide a general method for selecting for restriction endonucleases with desired characteristics. The general method relies on a suitable assay for determining whether the desired restriction endonuclease has been created. In particular an embodiment of the general method provides a systematic screening method with a set of steps. This method has been deduced by performing many hundreds of reactions using many restriction endonucleases. The majority of the examples provided herein relate to identifying restriction endonucleases with reduced star activity but with cleavage activity that is at least similar to the WT restriction endonuclease. However, it is expected that the same methodology can be applied successfully to modifying other properties of the restriction endonucleases relating, for example, to improved cleavage activity in desired buffers, thermostability, rate of reaction in defined conditions, etc.

[0022] As discussed above, an end point of interest is to transform restriction endonucleases with star activity into high fidelity restriction endonucleases with significantly reduced star activity. Star activity refers to promiscuity in cleavage specificity by individual restriction endonucleases. The terms "reduction in star activity" and "increase in fidelity" are used interchangeably here. Although restriction endonucleases are characterized by their property of cleaving DNA at specific sequences, some restriction endonucleases additionally cleave DNA inefficiently at secondary sites in the DNA. This secondary cleavage may occur consistently or may arise only under certain conditions such as any of: increased concentrations, certain buffers, temperature, substrate type, storage, and incubation time.

[0023] It is generally acknowledged that little is known about the complex environment generated by the hundreds of amino acids that constitute a protein and determine specificity. One approach in the prior art has been to utilize crystallography to identify contact points between an enzyme and its substrate. Nonetheless, crystallography has limitations with respect to freezing a structure in time in an unnatural chemical environment.

[0024] The rules that determine the contribution of amino acids at any site in the protein and the role played by the structure of the substrate molecule has proved elusive using existing analytical techniques. For example, it is shown here that mutating an amino acid in a restriction endonuclease can cause all or partial loss of activity.

[0025] In this context, no structural explanation has been put forward to explain why star activity could increase with high glycerol concentration (> 5% v/v), high enzyme to DNA ratio (usually > 100 units of enzyme per μ g of DNA), low ionic strength (< 25 mM salt), high pH (> 8.0), presence of organic solvent (such as DMSO, ethanol), and substitution of Mg^{2+} with other divalent cations (Mn^{2+} , Co^{2+}). It was here recognized that because of the diversity of factors affecting star activity, it would be necessary to conduct comparisons of WT and mutant star activity under the same reaction conditions and in the same predetermined buffer and to develop a standard reaction condition in which any high fidelity enzyme must be capable of showing the described characteristics even if these characteristics were also observed in

other reaction conditions.

[0026] Present embodiments of the invention are directed to generating modified restriction endonucleases with specific improved properties, namely enhanced cleavage fidelity without significant reduction in overall cleavage activity or significant loss of yield from the host cells that make the protein. The methods that have been developed here for finding mutants with improved properties have resulted from exhaustive experimentation and the properties of the resultant enzymes have been defined in the context of specified conditions. The methods described herein may be used for altering the enzymatic properties of any restriction endonuclease under predetermined conditions, but are not limited to the specific defined conditions.

Restriction Endonuclease	Steps Used to Generate a High Fidelity Restriction Endonuclease
BamHI (Ex. 1)	Comparison of isoschizomer Targeted 22 residues to mutate to Ala. 14 mutants obtained, 3 had improved fidelity Saturation mutagenesis on 2 residues-K30 and E86 Recovered E86P as preferred mutant with greatest reduced star activity in selected buffers. Added mutations to E86P. Second round of mutation (Arg, Lys, His, Asp, Glu, Ser, Thr) to Ala and Tyr to Phe. Selected E167 and Y165 for saturation mutagenesis and selected E167T and Y165F. E163A/E167T was selected as preferred high fidelity mutant (BamHI-HF).
EcoRI (Ex. 2)	Comparison of isoschizomer Targeted 42 charged residues to mutate to Ala. No high fidelity mutants Second round of mutation: Target additional 32 charged residues to mutate to Ala: Identified K62A. Saturation mutagenesis on K62A. EcoRI(K62E) was selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (EcoRI-HF).
Scal (Ex. 3)	Comparison of isoschizomers. Targeted 58 charged residues to mutate to Ala. Identify 4 mutants Preferred mutant of 4 is (H193A/S201F). This is selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (Scal-HF)
Sall (Ex. 4)	Target 86 charged residues and mutate to Ala. Sall (R107A) was preferentially selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (Sall-HF).
SphI (Ex. 5)	Target 71 charged residues and mutate to Ala. SphI (K100A) was preferentially selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (SphI-HF)
PstI (Ex. 6)	Target 92 charged amino acids and mutate to Ala. PstI (D91A) was preferentially selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (PstI-HF)
NcoI (Ex. 7)	Target 66 charged residues and mutate to Ala. NcoI (A2T /R31A) was preferentially selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (NcoI-HF).
NheI (Ex. 8)	Target 92 charged residues and mutate to Ala. EheI (E77A) was preferentially selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (NheI-HF)
SspI (Ex. 9)	Target 81 charged residues and mutate to Ala. No preferential mutants obtained. Target 95 residues to additional charged residues and hydroxylated residues to Ala except Tyr. Tyr mutated to Phe. SspI (Y98F) was preferentially selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (SspI-HF)
NotI (Ex. 10)	Target 97 charged residues and mutate to Ala. K150A was preferentially selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (NotI-HF)
SacI (Ex. 11)	Target 101 charged residues and mutate to Ala. SacI (Q117H/R200A) was preferentially selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (SacI-HF) where Q117H was a carry over mutation from template with no affect on activity
PvuII (Ex. 12)	Target 47 charged residues and mutate to Ala. No preferred mutants obtained Target 19 hydroxylated residues - Ser/Thr and Tyr. Select T46A for further improvement

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Restriction Endonuclease	Steps Used to Generate a High Fidelity Restriction Endonuclease
	Saturation mutagenesis results in a preferred mutant T46G, T46H, T46K, T46Y. Pvull (T46G) was preferentially selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (Pvull-HF)
MfeI (Ex. 13)	Target 60 charged residues and mutate to Ala. No preferred mutants obtained Target 26 hydroxylated residues and mutate to Ala except for Tyr which was changed to Phe. Target 38 residues (Cys, Phe, Met, Asn, Gln, Trp) and mutate to Ala Identify Mfe (Q13A/F35Y) as a preferred high fidelity mutant (MfeI-HF) where F35Y is carried from the template
HindIII (Ex. 14)	Target 88 charged residues and mutate to Ala. No preferred mutants obtained Target 103 residues (Cys Met Asn, Gln, Ser Thr Trp) and mutate to Ala and Tyr changed to Phe. Identify HindIII (K198A) as a preferred high fidelity mutant (HindIII-HF)
SbfI (Ex. 15)	Target 78 charged residues mutated to Ala Target 41 residues (Ser Thr) mutated to Ala /Tyr to Phe Target 55 residues of Cys, Phe, Met Asn, Gln, Trp to Ala SbfI (K251A) was selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (SbfI-HF)
EagI (Ex. 16)	Target 152 residues (Asp, Glu, His, Lys, Arg, Ser, thr, Asn, and Gln changed to Ala and Tyr changed to Phe). EagI H43A was selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (EagI-HF)
EcoRV (Ex. 17)	Target 162 residues (Cys,Asp, Glu, Phe, his, Lys, Met, Asn, Gln, Arg, Ser, Thr, to Ala and Trp to Phe) EcoRV (D19A/E27A) was selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (EcoRV-HF)
AvrII (Ex. 18)	Target 210 residues (Cys,Asp, Glu, Phe, his, Lys, Met, Asn, Gln, Arg, Ser, Thr, to Ala and Trp to Phe) AvrII (Y104F) was selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (AvrII-HF)
BstXI (Ex. 19)	Target 237 residues (Cys,Asp, Glu, Phe, his, Lys, Met, Asn, Gln, Arg, Ser, Thr, to Ala and Trp to Phe) BstXI (N65A) was selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (BstXI-HF)
PciI (Ex. 20)	Target 151 residues (Cys,Asp, Glu, Phe, his, Lys, Met, Asn, Gln, Arg, Ser, Thr, to Ala and Trp to Phe) PciI (E78A/S133A) was selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant. (PciI-HF) This was spontaneous and not one of the 151 separate mutations
HpaI (Ex. 21)	Target 156 residues (Cys,Asp, Glu, Phe, his, Lys, Met, Asn, Gln, Arg, Ser, Thr, to Ala and Trp to Phe) HpaI (E56A) was selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (HpaI-HF)
AgeI (Ex. 22)	Target 149 residues (Cys,Asp, Glu, Phe, his, Lys, Met, Asn, Gln, Arg, Ser, Thr, to Ala and Trp to Phe) AgeI (R139A) was selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (AgeI-HF)
BsmBI (Ex. 23)	Target 358 residues (Cys,Asp, Glu, Phe, his, Lys, Met, Asn, Gln, Arg, Ser, Thr, to Ala and Trp to Phe) BsmBI(N185Y/R232A) was selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (BsmBI (HF)
BspQI (Ex. 24)	Target 122 residues (Arg, Lys, His, Glu, Asp, Gln, Asn, Cys) Replace R at position 279 with Phe, Pro, Tyr, Glu, Asp or Leu. Preferred mutations were R388F and K279P. Created a double mutant BspQI(K279P/R388F) as preferred high fidelity mutant (BspQI-HF)
SapI	Find K273 and R380 in SapI corresponding to R388 and K279 in BspQI.

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Restriction Endonuclease	Steps Used to Generate a High Fidelity Restriction Endonuclease
(Ex. 25)	SapI (K273P/R380F) was selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (SapI-HF)
KpnI (Ex. 26)	Target all residues (Asp, Glu, Arg, Lys, His, Ser, Thr, Tyr, Asn, Gln, Phe, Trp, Cys, Met) to Ala. More mutation was done on site D16 and D148. A combined D16N/E132A/D148E was selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (KpnI-HF).
BsaI (Ex. 27)	Find 11 amino acids corresponding to the site in BsmBI. BsaI (Y231F) was selected as a preferred high fidelity mutant (BsaI-HF).

[0027] The method follows from the realization that amino acids responsible for cognate activity and star activity are different. The engineering of high fidelity restriction endonucleases described herein demonstrates that cognate activity and star activity can be separated and there are different critical amino acid residues that affect these different activities. The locations of amino acids that are here found to affect star activity are not necessarily found within the active site of the protein. The cleavage properties of any restriction endonuclease has been determined here for the first time by developing a criterion of success in the form of determining a FI (see also Wei et al. Nucleic Acid Res., 36, 9, e50 (2008)) and an overall fidelity index improvement factor.

[0028] An "overall fidelity index improvement factor" refers to the highest FI for a mutant with maximum cleavage activity divided by the highest FI of the corresponding WT endonuclease with maximum cleavage activity within a selected set of buffers. The selected set may be of any size greater than one but practically will contain less than 10 different buffers and more preferably contains 4 buffers. The set may also include less than 4 buffers. The overall FI improvement factor of at least two should preferably be applicable for any mutant restriction endonuclease in the claimed invention additionally but not exclusively to the set of buffers consisting of NEB1, NEB2, NEB3 and NEB4.

[0029] A "similar cleavage activity" can be measured by reacting the same amount of enzyme with the same amount and type of substrate under the same conditions and visually comparing the cleavage profiles on a gel after electrophoresis such that the amount of cleavage product appears to be the same within a standard margin of error and wherein the quantitative similarity is more than 10%.

[0030] "Artificial" refers to "man-made".

[0031] "Standard conditions" refers to an overall FI improvement factor calculated from results obtained in NEB1-4 buffers.

[0032] The general method described herein has been exemplified with 27 restriction endonucleases: AgeI, AvrII, BamHI, BsaI, BsmBI, BspQI, BstXI, EagI, EcoRI, EcoRV, HindIII, HpaI, KpnI, MfeI, NcoI, NheI, NotI, PciI, PstI, PvuII, SacI, SalI, SapI, SbfI, Scal, SphI and SspI restriction endonucleases. However, as mentioned above, the method is expected to be effective for the engineering of any restriction endonuclease that has significant star activity.

[0033] Embodiments of the method utilize a general approach to create mutant restriction endonucleases with reduced star activity. For certain enzymes, it has proven useful to mutate charged residues that are determined to be conserved between two isoschizomers (see for example SapI in Example 25). In general, however, the method involves a first step of identifying all the charged and polar residues in a protein sequence for the endonuclease. For example, charged amino acids and polar residues include the acidic residues Glu and Asp, the basic residues His, Lys and Arg, the amide residues Asn and Gln, the aromatic residues Phe, Tyr and Trp and the nucleophilic residue Cys. Individual residues are targeted and mutated to an Ala and the products of these targeted mutations are screened for the desired properties of increased fidelity. If none of the mutants obtained provide a satisfactory result, the next step is to target mutations to all the hydroxylated amino acids, namely, Ser, Thr and Tyr, the preferred mutation being Ser and Thr to Ala and Tyr to Phe. It is also possible to target mutations to both classes of residues at one time as was done for Examples 16-23. The mutation to Ala may be substituted by mutations to Val, Leu or Ile.

[0034] After these analyses, if one or more of the preferred mutants generated in the above steps still have substandard performance under the selected tests, these mutants can be selected and mutated again to each of the additional possible 18 amino acids. This is called saturation mutagenesis. Saturation mutagenesis provided the preferred high fidelity mutants for EcoRI (Example 2), BamHI in part (Example 1) and PvuII (Example 12). Depending on the results of saturation mutagenesis, the next step would be to introduce additional mutations either targeted or random or both into the restriction endonuclease. In Example 11, SacI-HF includes a random mutation generated fortuitously during inverse PCR. In Example 20, PciI-HF resulted from a random mutation and not from targeted mutations. In Example 26, BspQI-HF contains two mutations that were found to act synergistically in enhancing fidelity.

[0035] The use of various methods of targeted mutagenesis such as inverse PCR may involve the introduction of non-

target mutations at secondary sites in the protein. These secondary mutations may fortuitously provide the desired properties (see Example 20). It is desirable to examine those mutated enzymes with multiple mutations to establish whether all the mutations are required for the observed effect. In Example 11, Q117H in the double mutant had no effect on activity. In Example 20, the additional spontaneous mutation appears to be solely responsible for the observed improved fidelity, whereas in Example 24, the individual mutations acted synergistically.

[0036] In some cases, a mutation may provide an additional advantage other than improved fidelity (see for example BamHI in which either E163A or P173A causes the enzyme to become more thermolabile).

[0037] The high fidelity/reduced star activity properties of the mutants provided in the Examples were selected according to their function in a set of standard buffers. Other mutations may be preferable if different buffer compositions were selected. However, the same methodology for finding mutants would apply. Table 4 lists mutations which apply to each restriction endonuclease and provide an overall FI improvement factor in the standard buffer.

[0038] The engineering of the high fidelity restriction endonucleases to provide an overall FI improvement factor of at least 2 involves one or more of the following steps:

1. Assessment of the star activity of the WT restriction endonuclease

[0039] In an embodiment of the invention, the extent of star activity of a restriction endonuclease is tested by means of the following protocol: the endonuclease activity is determined for an appropriate substrate using a high initial concentration of a stock endonuclease and serial dilutions thereof (for example, two-fold or three-fold dilutions). The initial concentration of restriction endonuclease is not important as long as it is sufficient to permit an observation of star activity in at least one concentration such that on dilution, the star activity is no longer detected.

[0040] An appropriate substrate contains nucleotide sequences that are cleaved by cognate endonuclease activity and where star activity can be observed. This substrate may be the vector containing the gene for the restriction endonuclease or a second DNA substrate. Examples of substrates used in Table 2 are pBC4, pXba, T7, lambda, and pBR322.

[0041] The concentration of stock restriction endonuclease is initially selected so that the star activity can be readily recognized and assayed in WT and mutated restriction endonucleases. Appropriate dilution buffers such as NEB diluent A, B or C is selected for performing the serial dilutions according to guidelines in the 2007-08 NEB catalog. The serially diluted restriction endonuclease is reacted with a predetermined concentration of the appropriate substrate in a total reaction volume that is determined by the size of the reaction vessel. For example, it is convenient to perform multiple reactions in microtiter plates where a 30 μ l reaction mixture is an appropriate volume for each well. Hence, the examples generally utilize 0.6 μ g of substrate in 30 μ l, which is equivalent to 1 μ g of substrate in 50 μ l. The amount of substrate in the reaction mixture is not critical, but it is preferred that it be constant between reactions. The cleavage reaction occurs at a predetermined temperature (for example 25°C, 30°C, 37°C, 50 °C, 55°C or 65°C) for a standard time such as one hour. The cleavage products can be determined by any standard technique, for example, by 0.8% agarose gel electrophoresis to determine the fidelity indices as defined above.

[0042] Not all restriction endonucleases have significant star activity as determined from their FI. However, if an endonuclease has a highest FI of no more than about 250 and a lowest FI of less than 100, the restriction endonuclease is classified as having significant star activity. Such endonucleases are selected as a target of enzyme engineering to increase fidelity for a single substrate. In some cases, the restriction endonucleases with both FI over about 500 and FI less than about 100 are also engineered for better cleavage activity.

[0043] Table 2 below lists the FI of some engineered restriction endonucleases before engineering. All samples were analyzed on 0.8% agarose gel.

Table 2

Enzyme	Diluent (NEB)***	Substrate*	Temp °C	FI-1 **	FI-2 **	FI-3 **	FI-4 **
AgeI	C	pXba	37	16(1)	8(1/2)	64(1/8)	8(1/2)
AvrII	B	T7	37	64(1)	8(1)	32(1/4)	32(1)
BamHI	A	λ	37	4(1/2)	4(1)	32(1)	4(1/2)
BsaI	B	pBC4	50	8(1/4)	120(1)	16(1/4)	32(1)
BsmBI	B	λ	55	1(1/8)	8(1/2)	120(1)	4(1/4)
BspQI	B	λ	50	2(1/8)	16(1)	32(1)	4(1/2)
BstXI	B	λ	55	2(1/2)	2(1/2)	2(1/8)	4(1)
EagI	B	pXba	37	4(1/4)	8(1/2)	250(1)	16(1)

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Enzyme	Diluent (NEB)***	Substrate*	Temp °C	FI-1 **	FI-2 **	FI-3 **	FI-4 **
EcoRI	C	λ	37	250(½)	4(1)	250(1)	4(1)
EcoRV	A	pXba	37	32(1/16)	120(½)	1000(1)	64(¼)
HindIII	B	λ	37	32(¼)	250(1)	4000(¼)	32(½)
HpaI	A	λ	37	32(1/16)	1(¼)	2(1/8)	16(1)
KpnI	A	pXba	37	16(1)	16(¼)	8(1/16)	4(½)
MfeI	A	λ	37	32(1)	16(1/8)	8(1/16)	32(1)
NcoI	A	λ	37	120(1)	32(1)	120(¼)	32(1)
NheI	C	pXba	37	32(1)	120(¼)	120(1/8)	32(1)
NotI	C	pXba	37	≥32000(1/1 6)	64(1)	500(1)	32(¼)
PciI	A	pXba	37	2000(½)	16(¼)	120(1)	8(1/8)
PstI	C	λ	37	64(1)	32(1)	120(1)	8(½)
PvuII	A	pBR322	37	250(1)	16(¼)	8(1/32)	¼(1)
SacI	A	pXba	37	120(1)	120(½)	120(1/32)	32(½)
Sall	A	λ (H3)	37	8(1/500)	1(1/16)	32(1)	1(1/120)
SapI	C	λ	37	16(¼)	64(½)	32(¼)	16(1)
SbfI	A	λ	37	32(1)	8(¼)	8(1/16)	8(½)
Scal	A	λ	37	1/16(1/37)	1/8(1)	4(½)	1/64(1/16)
SphI	B	λ	37	64(1)	32(1)	64(¼)	16(½)
SspI	C	λ	37	64(1)	16(1)	32(¼)	16(1)
* Substrate: λ is lambda phage DNA; λ (H3) is HindIII-digested lambda phage DNA; pXba is pUC19 with XbaI-digested fragment of Adeno Virus; pBC4: a shorter version of pXba; T7: T7 DNA **FI-1 to FI-4: fidelity index of the enzyme in NEBuffer 1, 2, 3 and 4. The number in parenthesis is a value for relative cleavage activity of the mutant restriction endonuclease in a specified buffer in a set of buffers compared with the "best" cleavage activity of the same mutant restriction endonuclease in any of the buffers in the set of buffers.							

[0044] The compositions of NEB buffers follow:

NEB1: 10 mM Bis Tris Propane-HCl, 10 mM MgCl₂, 1 mM dithiothreitol (pH 7.0 at 25°C);
 NEB2: 50 mM NaCl, 10 mM Tris-HCl, 10 mM MgCl₂, 1 mM dithiothreitol (pH 7.9 at 25°C);
 NEB3: 100 mM NaCl, 50 mM Tris-HCl, 10 mM MgCl₂, 1mM dithiothreitol (pH7.9 at 25°C);
 NEB4: 50 mM potassium acetate, 20 mM Tris-acetate, 10 mM magnesium acetate, 1 mM dithiothreitol (pH7.9 at 25°C).

[0045] *** The compositions of NEB diluents follow. (Using diluents in the dilution instead of water will keep the glycerol concentration in the reaction as a constant.)

Diluent A: 50 mM KCl, 10 mM Tris-HCl, 0.1 mM EDTA, 1 mM dithiothreitol, 200 mg/ml BSA, 50% glycerol (pH7.4 at 25°C);
 Diluent B: 300 mM NaCl, 10 mM Tris-HCl, 0.1 mM EDTA, 1mM dithiothreitol, 500 mg/ml BSA, 50% glycerol (pH7.4 at 25°C);
 Diluent C: 250 mM NaCl, 10 mM Tris-HCl, 0.1 mM EDTA, 1 mM dithiothreitol, 0.15% Triton X-100, 200 mg/ml BSA, 50% glycerol (pH 7.4 at 25°C).

2. Construction of high expression host cell strains

[0046] It is convenient if a host cell is capable of over-expressing the mutant restriction endonuclease for which reduced star activity is sought. If the restriction enzyme is highly expressed in E. coli, the star activity can be readily detected in

the crude extract, which simplifies the screening for the high fidelity restriction endonuclease. However, the mutated restriction endonuclease can be expressed in any host cell providing that the host cell is protected in some way from toxicity arising from enzyme cleavage. This might include: the presence of a methylase; production in a compartment of the cell which provides a barrier to access to the genome (such as an inclusion body or the periplasm); in vitro synthesis; production in an emulsion (see U.S. patent application serial no. 12/035,872) absence of cleavage sites in the host genome; manufacture of the enzyme in component parts subject to intein mediated ligation (see U.S. Patent No. 6,849,428), etc.

[0047] Over-expression of the mutated restriction endonucleases for purposes of production can be achieved using standard techniques of cloning, for example, use of an *E. coli* host, insertion of the endonuclease into a pUC19-derived expression vector, which is a high copy, and use of a relatively small plasmid that is capable of constant expression of recombinant protein. The vector may preferably contain a suitable promoter such as the lac promoter and a multicopy insertion site placed adjacent to the promoter. Alternatively, a promoter can be selected that requires IPTG induction of gene expression. If the activity in the crude extract is not sufficient, a column purification step for the restriction endonuclease in crude extract may be performed.

3. Mutagenesis of restriction endonuclease

[0048] DNA encoding each charged or polar group in the restriction endonuclease may be individually targeted and the mutated DNA cloned and prepared for testing. Multiple mutations may be introduced into individual restriction endonuclease genes. Targeted mutagenesis of restriction endonucleases may be achieved by any method known in the art. A convenient method used here is inverse PCR. In this approach, a pair of complementary primers that contains the targeted codon plus a plurality of nucleotides (for Example 18 nt) on both the 5' and 3' side of the codon is synthesized. The selection of suitable primers can be readily achieved by reviewing the gene sequence of the endonuclease of interest around the amino acid residue of interest. Access to gene sequences is provided through REBASE and GenBank. The sequences for the endonucleases described herein in the Examples are provided in Figures 31 to 38 and 44. The template for PCR is a plasmid containing the restriction endonuclease gene. The polymerase is preferably a high fidelity polymerase such as Vent® or Deep Vent™ DNA polymerase. By varying the annealing temperature and Mg²⁺ concentration, successful introduction of most mutations can be achieved. The PCR amplification product is then purified and preferably digested by DpnI. In an embodiment of the invention, the digested product was transformed into competent host cells (for example, *E. coli*), which have been pre-modified with a corresponding methylase. Colonies from each mutant were picked and grown under similar conditions to those in which the WT is grown (for example, using similar growth medium, drug selection, and temperature). The resulting restriction endonucleases were screened for reduced star activity.

4. Screening for mutant restriction endonucleases with reduced star activity

[0049] Conditions such as buffer composition, temperature and diluent should be defined for determining star activity in a mutant restriction endonuclease. Tables 2 and 3 show the FI of recombinant endonucleases before and after mutation in four different buffers using three different diluents at 37°C. Accordingly, it is possible to determine which mutants have an overall desirable improved fidelity index factor of at least 2, more than 10, at least 50 or more than 500 and to select enzymes as preferred high fidelity mutants.

[0050] In an embodiment of the invention, the mutant restriction endonucleases were screened for activity in normal buffer conditions (no more than 5% glycerol) first. For those mutants with at least about 10% of activity of WT restriction endonuclease, activity was also determined in star activity promotion conditions that promoted star activity, for example, high glycerol concentration and optionally high pH. Preferably, the mutant with the least star activity but with acceptable cognate activity in normal buffers is selected. Plasmid can then be extracted and sequenced for the confirmation of the mutant. In some cases, the star activity is not easily measured, even with high glycerol and high pH conditions. Instead, the activity in different buffers is measured and compared, and the one with the highest cleavage activity ratio in NEB4 compared with NEB3 can be tested further for star activity improvement.

5. Saturation mutagenesis on one single residue

[0051] As described in the previous section, the first step is to mutate a target amino acid in the restriction endonuclease to Ala. If the results are not satisfactory, saturation mutagenesis is performed. This is preferably performed by one of two methods. One method is to change the intended codon into NNN. After mutagenesis, multiple colonies are assayed under normal conditions and under conditions that promote star activity. Alternatively, a different codon can be selected for mutagenesis of each of the targeted amino acids for example: Ala: GCT; Cys: TGC; Asp: GAC; Glu: GAA; His: CAC; Ile: ATC; Lys: AAA; Leu: CTG; Met: ATG; Asn: AAC; Pro: CCG; Gln: CAG; Arg: CGT; Ser: TCC; Thr: ACC; Val: GTT;

Trp: TGG and Tyr: TAC

6. Combination

- 5 **[0052]** More than one mutation can be introduced into the restriction endonuclease gene if a single mutation does not sufficiently reduce the star activity. Mutation combination and saturation mutagenesis can be performed in any order.

7. Mutant purification and assessment of the improvement

- 10 **[0053]** The high fidelity mutants may be purified in a variety of ways including use of different chromatography columns. For normal quality assessment, one FPLC heparin column is enough to eliminate the DNA and non-specific nucleases from the preparation. Multiple columns including ion exchange, hydrophobic, size exclusion and affinity columns can be used for further purification.

- 15 **[0054]** Purified high fidelity restriction endonucleases are measured for FI in four NEB buffers and compared with the FIs of the WT restriction endonuclease. The ratio of FI for the high fidelity restriction endonuclease in its optimal buffer to that of WT is the overall improvement factor.

Table 3 - FI* for exemplified restriction endonucleases

Enzyme	Diluent (NEB)	Substrate *	Temp °C	FI-1 **	FI-2 **	FI-3 **	FI-4 **
Agel-HF	C	Xba	37	≥500(1)	≥250(½)	≥16(1/16)	≥250(1)
AvrII-HF	B	T7	37	500(1)	≥500(½)	≥16(1/64)	≥1000(1)
BamHI-HF	A	λ	37	≥4000(1)	≥4000(1)	≥250(1/16)	≥4000(1)
BsaI	B	pBC4	50	≥4000(1/2)	≥8000(1)	120(1)	≥8000(1)
BsmBI	B	λ	55	2(1)	≥500(1)	≥64(1/8)	≥500(1)
BspQI-HF	A	pUC19	50	≥1000(1/4)	≥1000(1/4)	≥64(1/64)	≥4000(1)
BstXI-HF	A	λ	55	≥120(½)	≥250(1)	≥16(1/16)	≥250(1)
EagI-HF	C	pXba	37	250(½)	250(1)	250(½)	500(1)
EcoRI-HF	C	λ	37	2000(1/8)	4000(¼)	250(1/250)	16000(1)
EcoRV-HF	A	pXba	37	≥16000(¼)	>64000(1)	≥32000(½)	≥64000(1)
HindIII-HF	B	λ	37	≥16000(¼)	≥64000(1)	≥16000(¼)	≥32000(½)
HpaI-HF	A	λ	37	≥32(1/32)	≥2000(1)	2(1/8)	≥2000(½)
KpnI-HF	A	pXba	37	≥4000(1)	≥1000(1/4)	≥64(1/64)	≥4000(1)
MfeI-HF	A	λ	37	≥1000(1)	≥250(¼)	≥16(1/64)	≥500(½)
NcoI-HF	A	λ	37	≥4000(¼)	≥4000(¼)	≥1000(1/16)	≥64000(1)
NheI-HF	C	pXba	37	≥128000(1)	≥4000(1/32)	≥32(1/2000)	≥32000(½)
NotI-HF	C	pXba	37	≥8000 (1/16)	≥128000(1)	≥4000(1/64)	≥64000(½)
PciI-HF	A	pXba	37	NC	≥2000(1)	≥2000(1)	≥1000(1)
PstI-HF	C	λ	37	1000(1/8)	4000(½)	4000(¼)	4000(1)
PvuII-HF	A	pBR322	37	≥250 (1/120)	≥2000(1/16)	≥250(1/120)	500(1)
SacI-HF	A	pXba	37	≥32000(1)	≥16000(½)	≥500(1/64)	≥32000(1)
Sall-HF	A	λ (H3)	37	≥8000(1/8)	≥64000(1)	≥4000(1/16)	≥32000(½)
SbfI-HF	C	λ	37	1000(1)	120(½)	8(1/32)	250(1)
Scal-HF	A	λ	37	4000(1/8)	1000(1)	2000(1/32)	1000(1)

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Enzyme	Diluent (NEB)	Substrate *	Temp °C	FI-1 **	FI-2 **	FI-3 **	FI-4 **
SphI-HF	B	λ	37	4000(1/8)	2000(1/16)	250(1/250)	8000(1)
Sspl-HF	C	λ	37	$\geq 4000(1/2)$	120(1/2)	$\geq 32(1/128)$	500(1)

* The FI is a ratio of the highest concentration that does not show star activity to the lowest concentration that completes digestion of the substrate.

** The number in parenthesis is a value for relative cleavage activity of the mutant restriction endonuclease in a specified buffer in a set of buffers compared with the greatest cleavage activity of the same mutant restriction endonuclease in any of the buffers in the set of buffers.

Table 4 - Mutations providing restriction endonucleases with high fidelity

Restriction Endonuclease	Examples of mutants with overall improved FI factor ≥ 2
Agel	R139A; S201A*
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(continued)

Restriction Endonuclease	Examples of mutants with overall improved FI factor ≥ 2
Sall	R82A; K93A; K101A; R107A
SapI	K273P; R380A; K273P/R380A
Sbfl	K251A
Scal	R18A; R112A; E119A; H193A; S201F; H193A/S201F
SphI	D91A; D139A; D164A; K100A
Sspl	H65A; K74A; E78A; E85A; E89A; K109A; E118A; R177A; K197A; Y98F
The mutations for each enzyme are separated by a semicolon.	

EXAMPLES

[0055] Where amino acids are referred to by a single letter code, this is intended to be standard nomenclature. The key to the code is provided for example in the NEB catalog 2007/2008 on page 280.

[0056] Plasmids used for cloning and as substrates have sequences as follows:

[0057] pLaczz2 (SEQ ID NO:102), pSyx20-lacIq (SEQ ID NO:105), pBC4 (SEQ ID NO:103), pXba (SEQ ID NO:104) and pAGR3 (SEQ ID NO:106). pACYC is described in GenBank XO 6403, T7 in GenBank NC001604, pUC18 in GenBank L09136, and pRRS in Skoglund et al. Gene, 88:1-5 (1990). pSX33 was constructed by inserting lacI gene into pLG339 at EcoRI site. pLG339 is described in Stoker, et al. Gene 19, 335-341 (1982).

[0058] All buffers identified as NEB buffers used herein are obtainable from New England Biolabs, Inc. (NEB), Ipswich, MA.

Example Engineering of high fidelity NotI

1. Expression of NotI

[0059] NotI has significant star activity in NEB4 buffer and less in NEB3 buffer. NotI was engineered to reduce star activity in any NEB buffer. NotI was expressed in competent *E. coli* transformed with pACYC184-EagII and placzz2-NotIR. The cells were grown at 37°C for overnight in the LB with Amp and Cam.

2. Mutagenesis of NotI

[0060] All 97 charged residues in NotI were mutated to Ala as the following residues: 2, 4, 8, 10, 17, 21, 22, 26, 31, 34, 35, 36, 49, 52, 57, 59, 62, 72, 74, 75, 77, 84, 87, 96, 97, 105, 117, 121, 122, 125, 126, 129, 130, 133, 140, 141, 145, 150, 152, 156, 160, 165, 167, 174, 176, 177, 182, 187, 189, 193, 194, 200, 205, 208, 210, 219, 224, 225, 227, 236, 237, 245, 251, 253, 267, 271, 272, 280, 283, 290, 292, 294, 296, 304, 306, 308, 310, 314, 319, 321, 323, 327, 331, 335, 336, 339, 353, 354, 356, 358, 361, 365, 367, 368, 369, 370, 378, 382.

[0061] The numbers above correspond to amino acid positions in the NotI protein sequence (SEQ ID NO:90).

[0062] The method for introducing mutants into the enzyme was the same as in the previous examples using inverse PCR followed by DpnI digestion. The treated product was then transformed into *E. coli* containing pACYC-EagII.

3. Selection of NotI-HF

[0063] Selection of NotI-HF was performed as described in the previous examples. The standard cognate and star activity assays used pXba substrate in NEB 4 buffer and 5% glycerol and NEB ExoI buffer (67 mM Glycine-KOH, pH 9.5, 6.7 mM MgCl₂, 10 mM 2-mercaptoethanol) and 37% glycerol respectively. #37(K150A), #44(K176A), #45(R177A), #63(R253A) all showed reduced star activity. K150A was the preferred mutation to reduce star activity. NotI(K150A) was selected as the NotI-HF.

4. Comparison of NotI-HF and WT NotI

[0064] The FIs of NotI-HF and WT NotI were determined separately using pXba substrate in NEB1-4 buffers. The comparison is shown in Figure 17, and the results are listed in Table 16 (below).

Table 16: Comparison of NotI-HF and WT NotI

Buffer	NotI-HF		WT NotI		Improvement Factor
	Activity	Fidelity Index	Activity	Fidelity Index	
NEB1	6%	≥ 8000	6%	≥ 8000	ND
NEB2	100%	≥ 128000	50%	250	≥ 512
NEB3	1.6%	≥ 4000	100%	4000	≥ 1
NEB4	50%	≥ 64000	12.5%	32	≥ 2000
ND: Not determinable, for that both FI is an uncertain number over limit.					

[0065] NotI-HF performed best in NEB2, in which the preferred FI was ≥ 128000 ; WT NheI performed best in NEB3, in which the preferred FI was 4000. The overall fidelity index improvement factor was $\geq 128000/4000 = \geq 32$. Engineering NotI not only further improved the FI of NotI, but also changed the optimal buffer.

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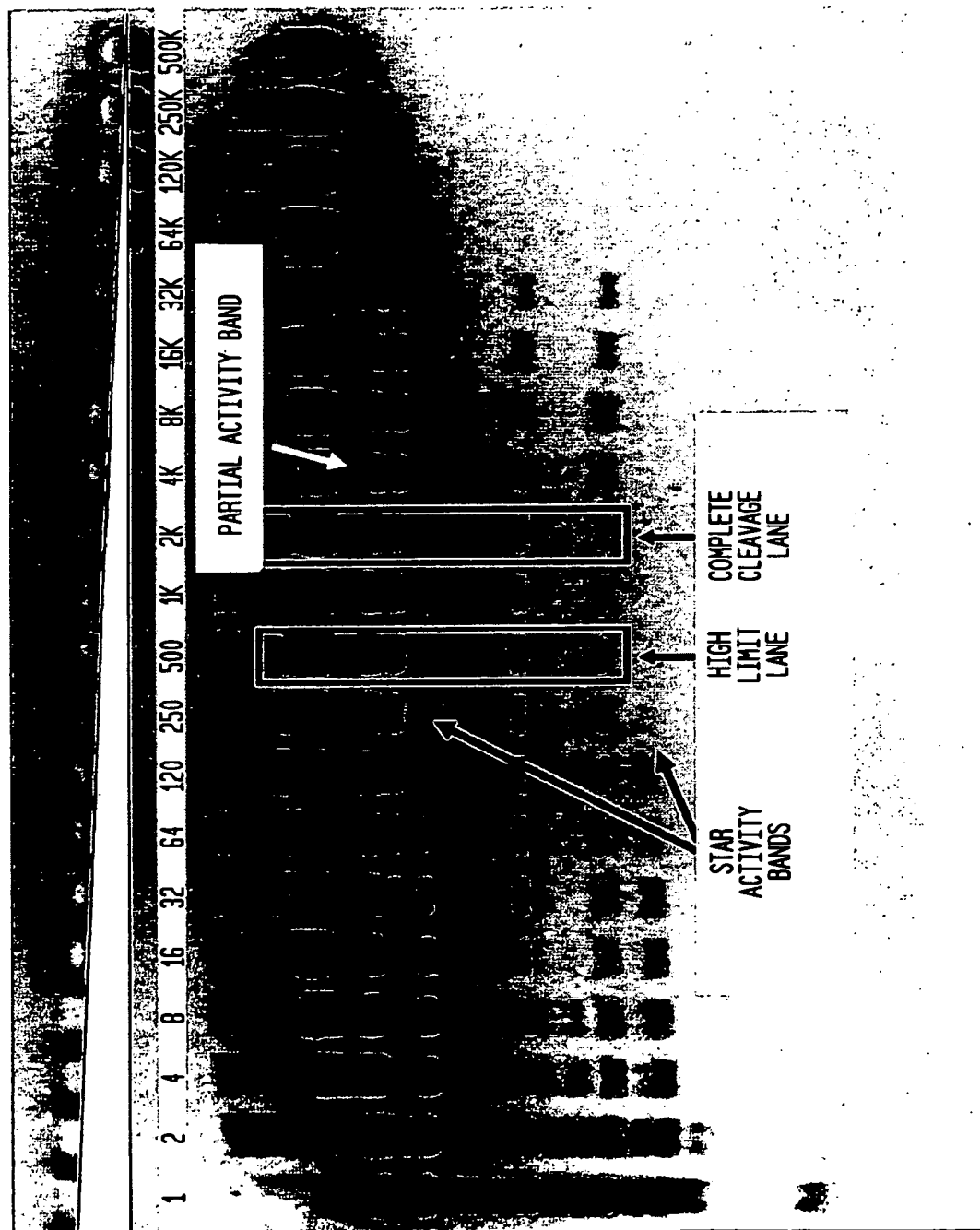
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Claims

- 5 1. A composition **characterized in that** it comprises: a restriction endonuclease enzyme having at least one artificially introduced mutation and an overall fidelity index (FI) improvement factor of at least 2, the restriction endonuclease being capable of cleaving a substrate with at least a similar cleavage activity to that of the restriction endonuclease absent the artificially introduced mutation, in a predetermined buffer, wherein the artificially introduced mutation is the product of at least one of a targeted mutation, saturation mutagenesis, or a mutation introduced through a PCR amplification procedure, and wherein the restriction endonuclease absent the artificially introduced mutation is NotI and the artificially introduced mutation is selected from: K176A; R177A; R253A; and K150A.
- 10 2. A composition according to claim 1 wherein at least one of the artificially introduced mutations is a replacement of a naturally occurring residue with an oppositely charged residue at a target site in the restriction endonuclease.
- 15 3. A composition according to claim 1 wherein at least one of the artificially introduced mutations is a replacement of a naturally occurring residue with a residue selected from a phenylalanine and an alanine at a target site in the restriction endonuclease.
- 20 4. A DNA molecule **characterized in that** it encodes a composition according to claim 1.
5. A vector **characterized in that** it contains a DNA molecule according to claim 4.
6. A host cell **characterized in that** it contains a DNA molecule according to claim 4 or a vector according to claim 5.

FIG. 1



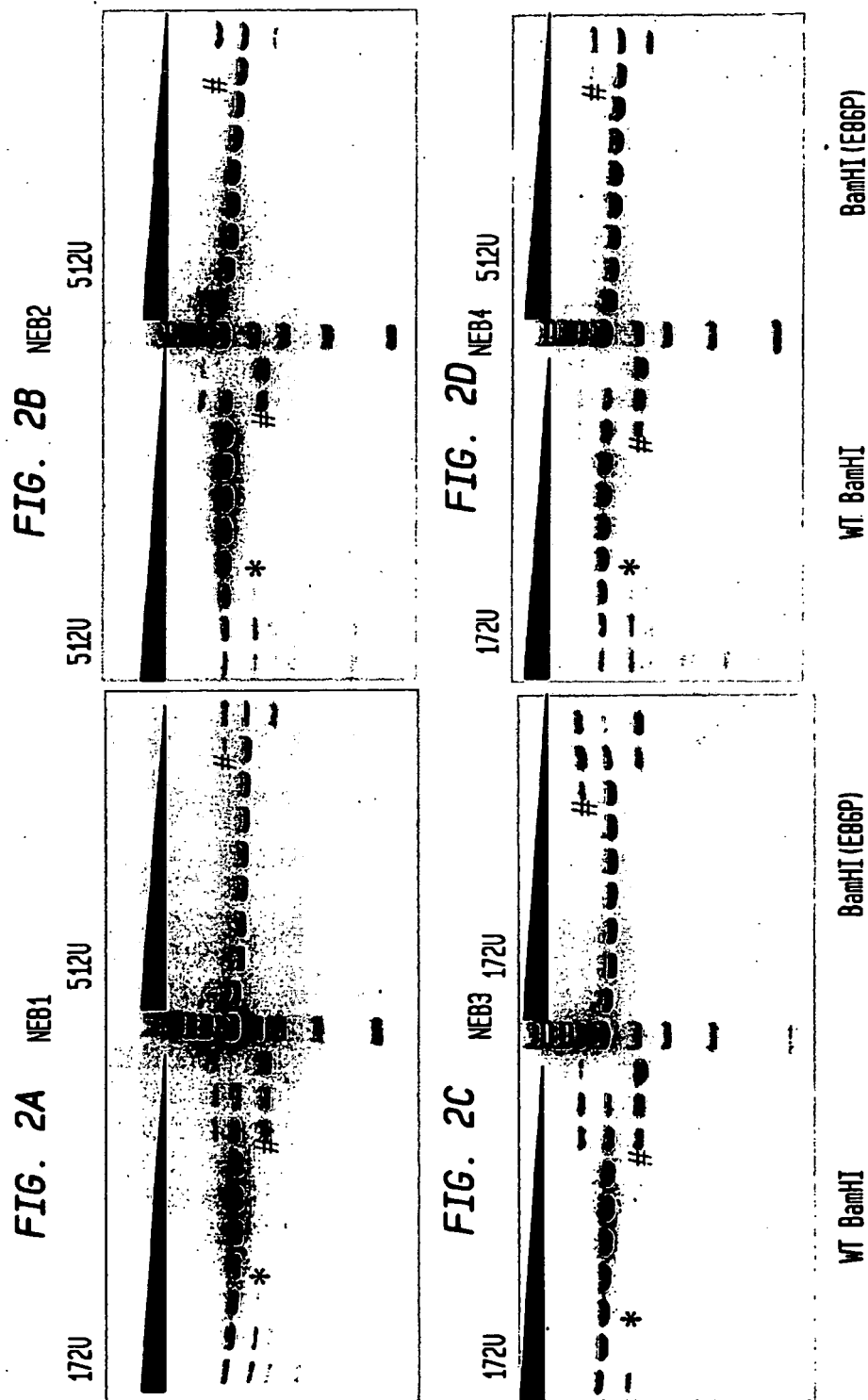
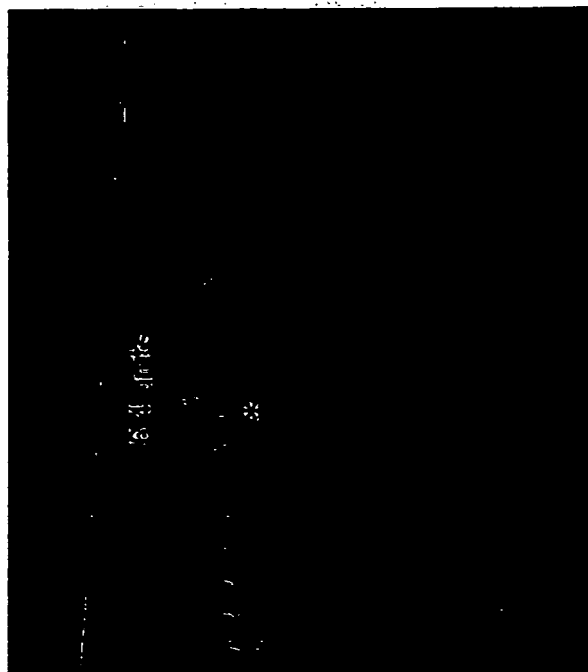
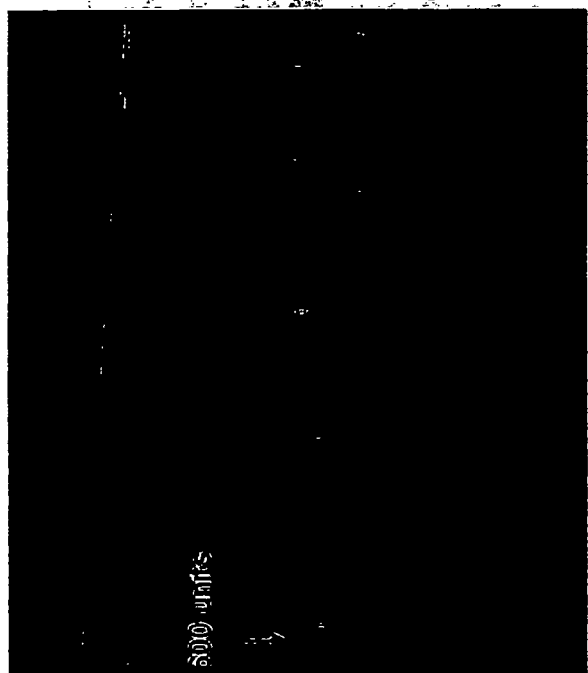


FIG. 3B
BamHI (E86P)



14 HOURS

FIG. 3A
BamHI (E86P)



1 HOUR

FIG. 4A
BamHI-HF (E163A/E167T)

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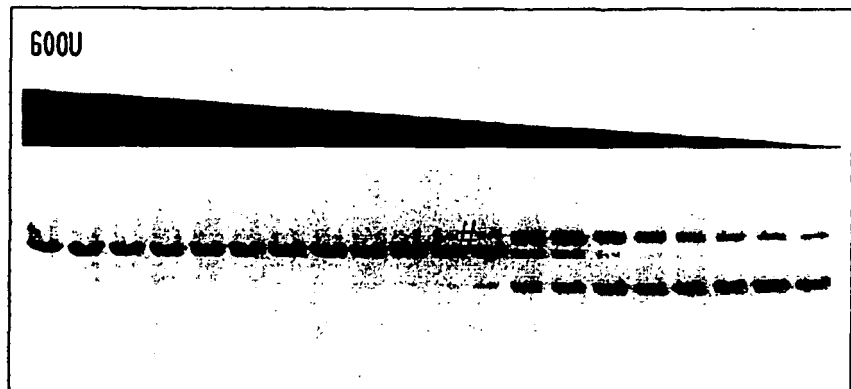
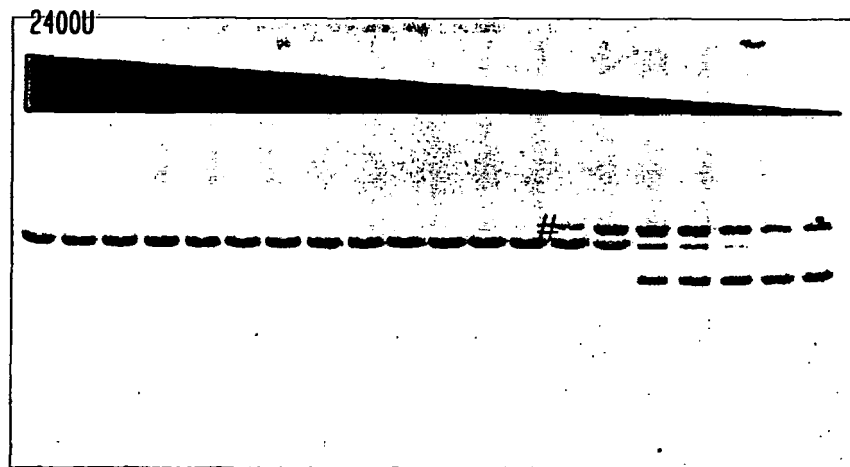


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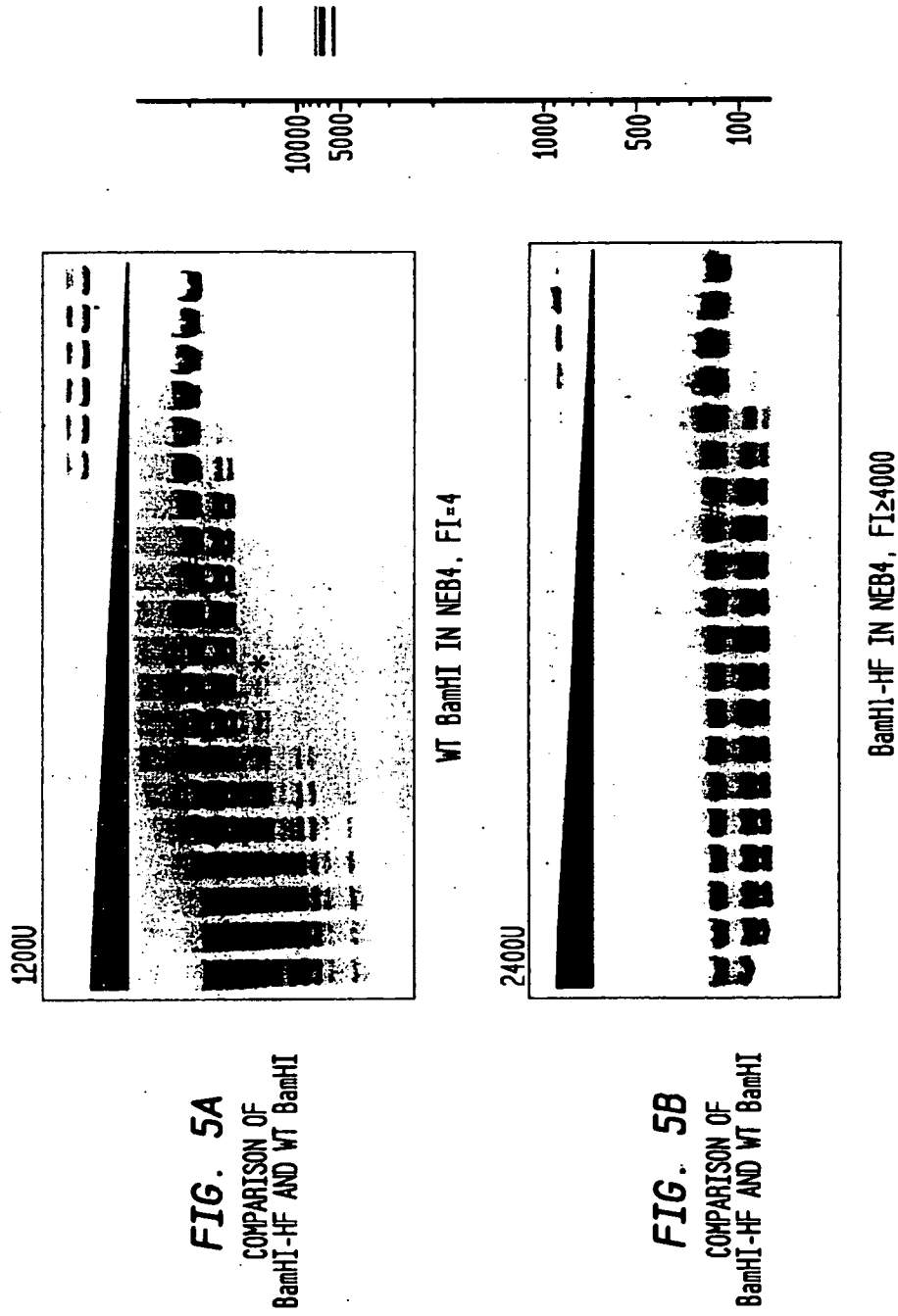


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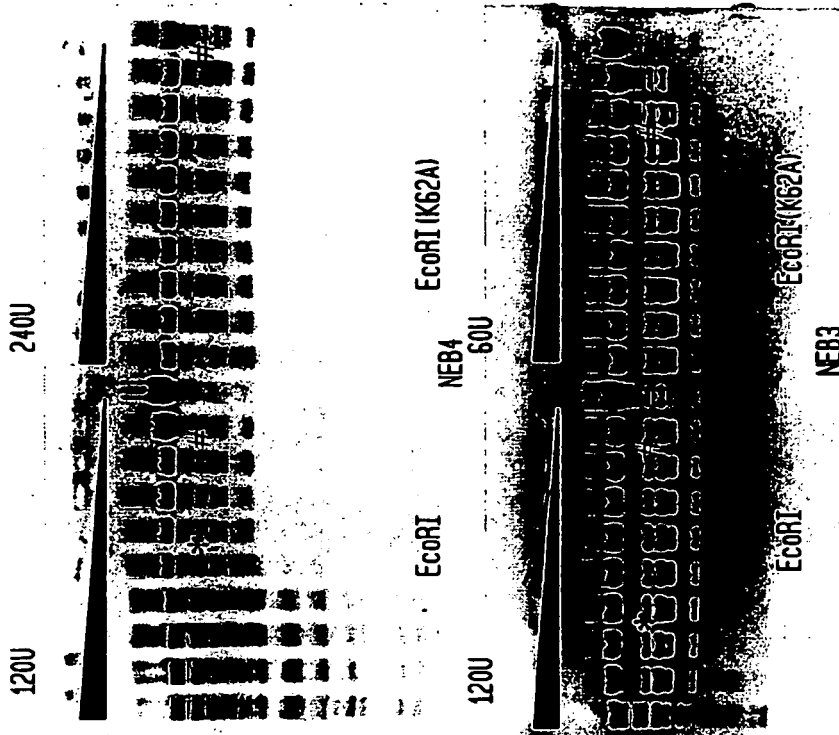


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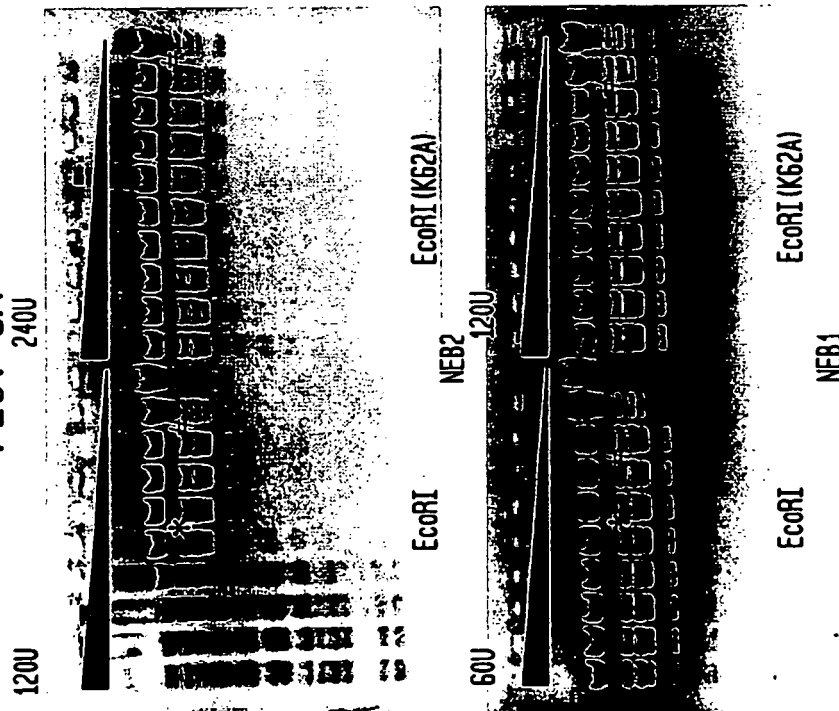
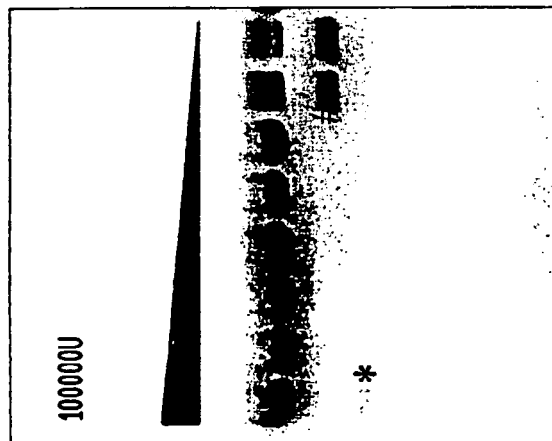


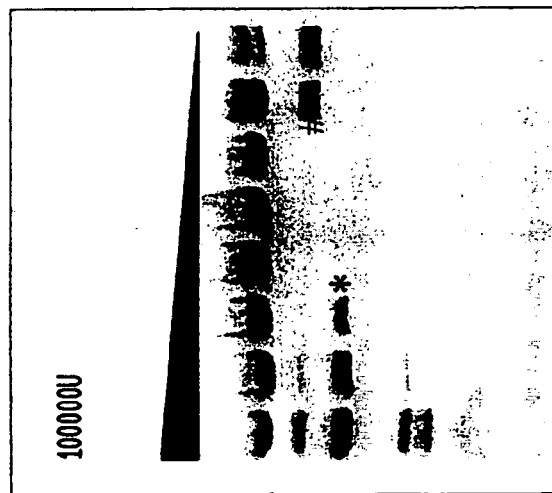
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FIG. 7A
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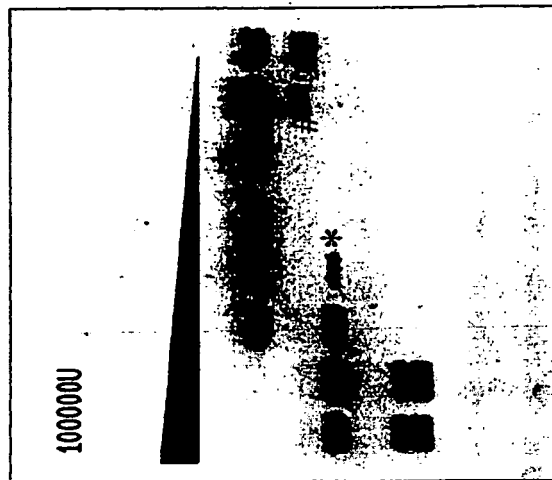
K62E IN NEB4

FIG. 7B
EcoRI



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FIG. 7C
EcoRI



WT IN EcoRI BUFFER

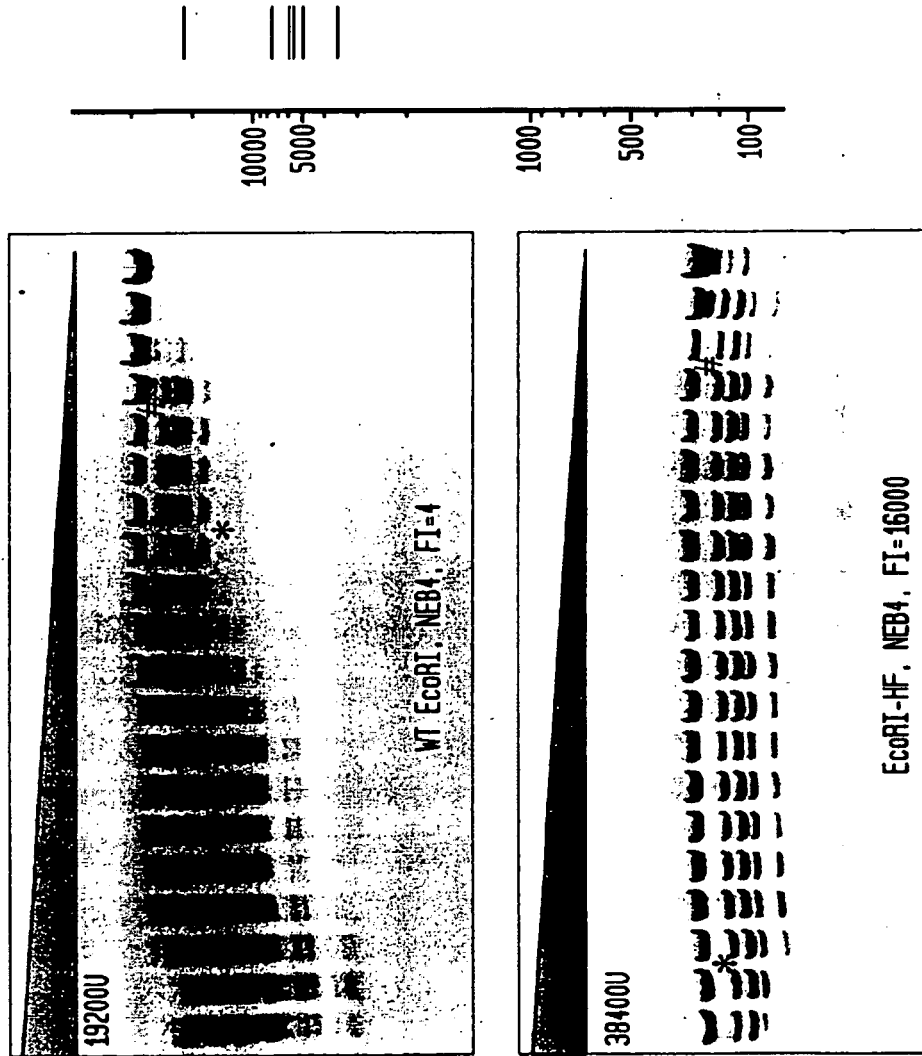


FIG. 8A
COMPARISON OF
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FIG. 8B
COMPARISON OF
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FIG. 9A
ScaI COMBINATION OF MUTATIONS

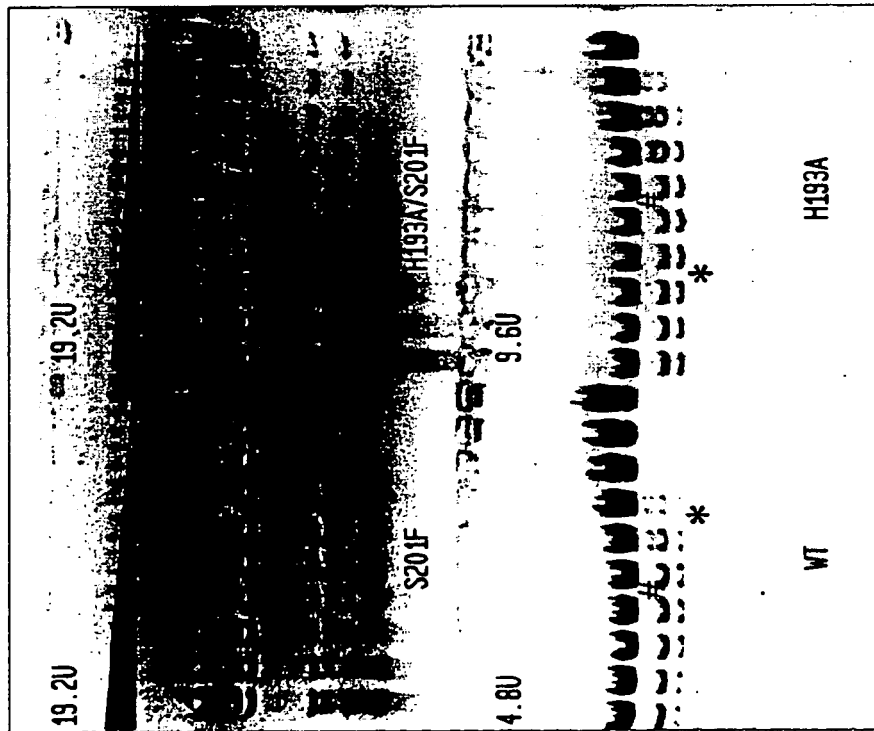


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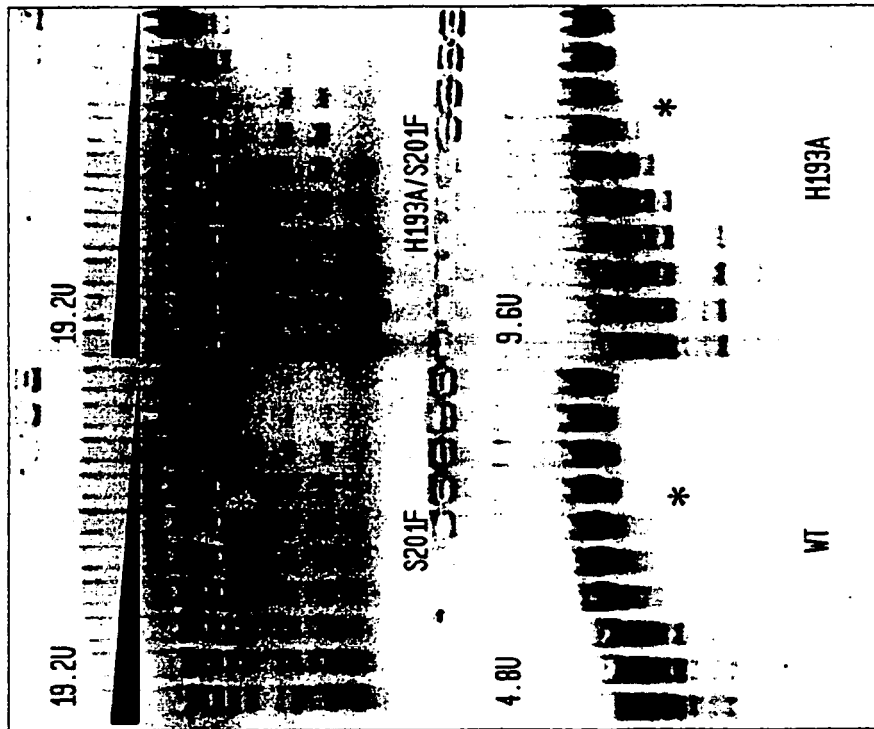


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ScaI COMPARISON OF ScaI-HF AND WT ScaI

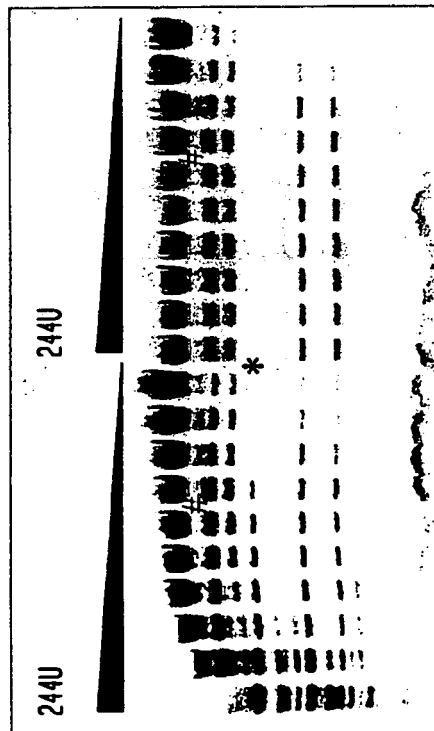


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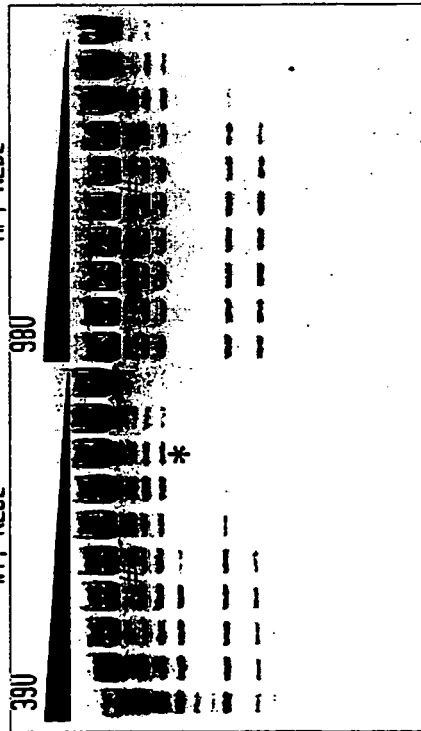


WT, NEB1

HF, NEB1

FIG. 10C

ScaI COMPARISON OF ScaI-HF AND WT ScaI



WT, NEB3

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FIG. 10D

ScaI COMPARISON OF ScaI-HF AND WT ScaI

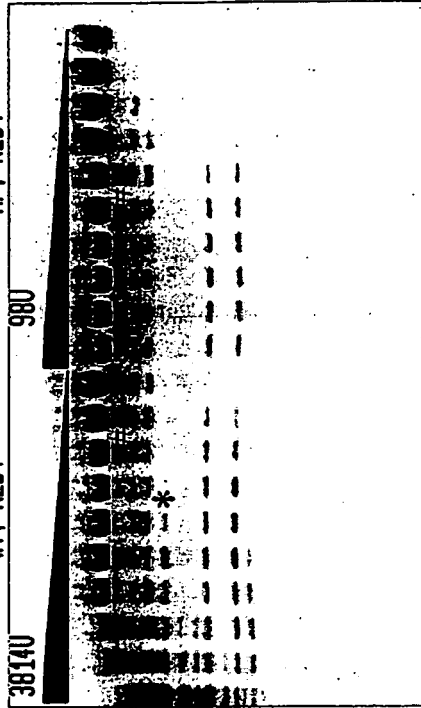
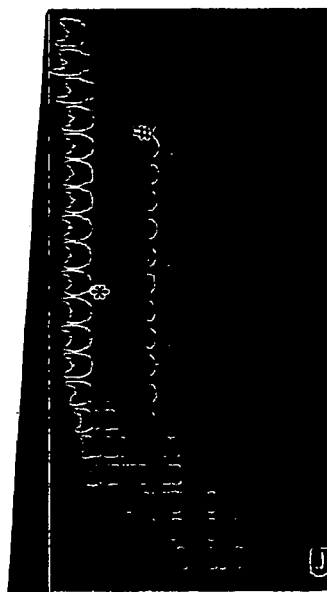




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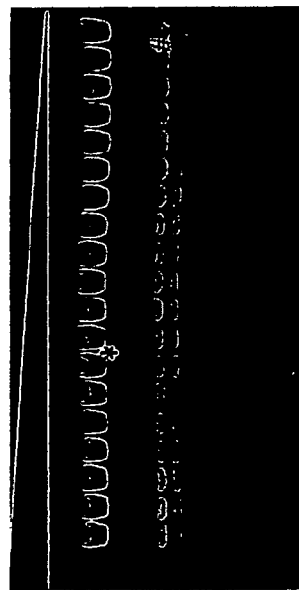
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WT SphI

FIG. 12B

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SphI-HF

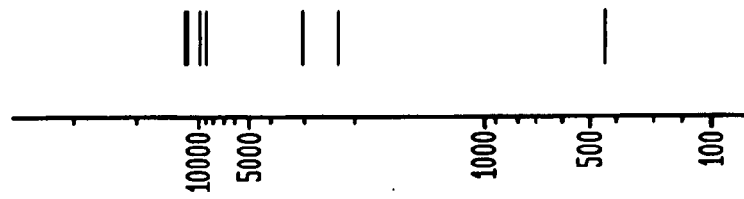


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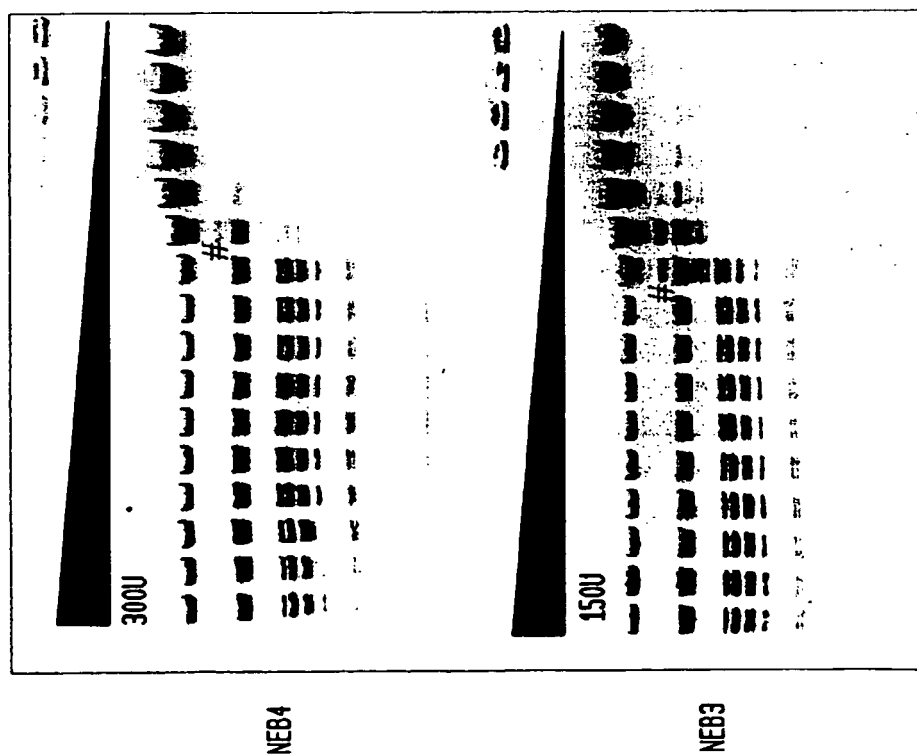


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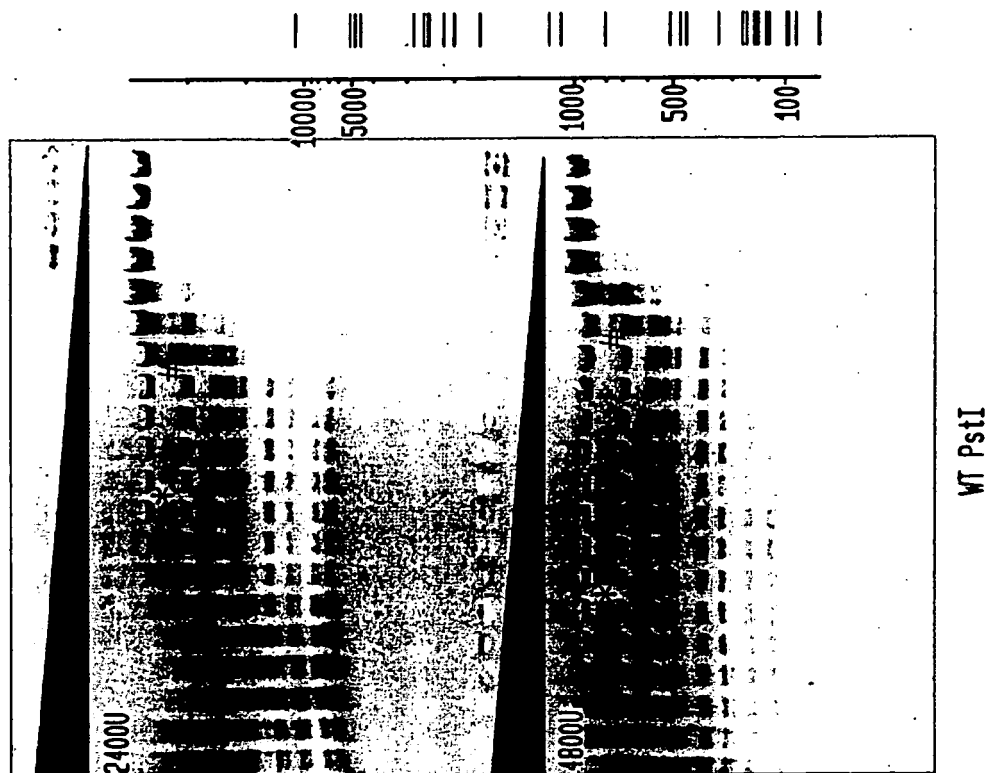


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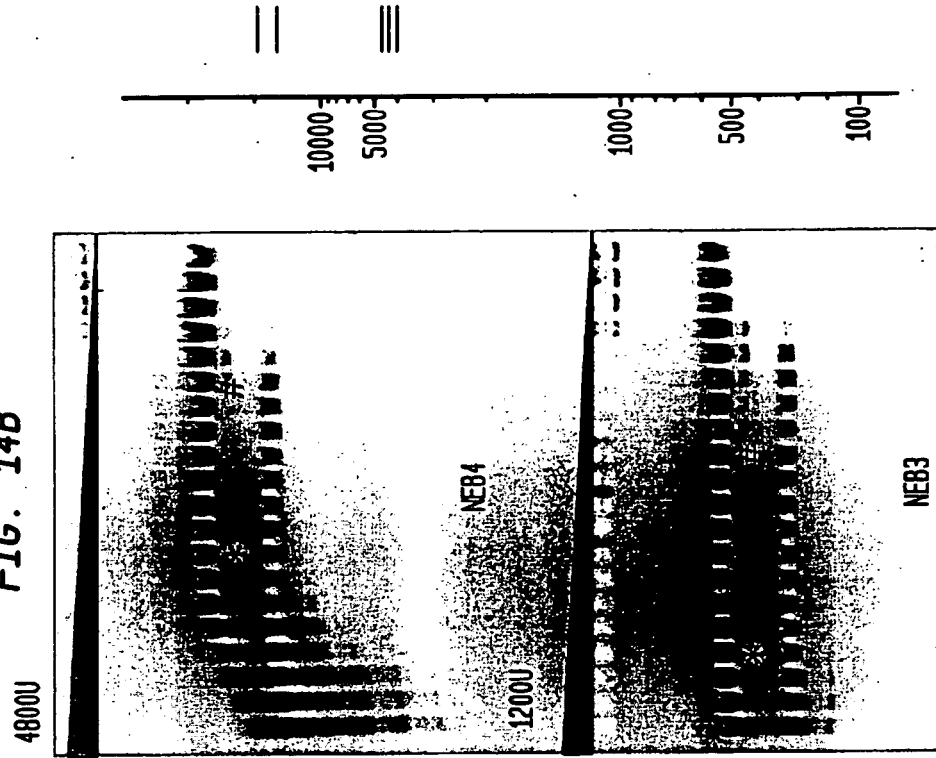
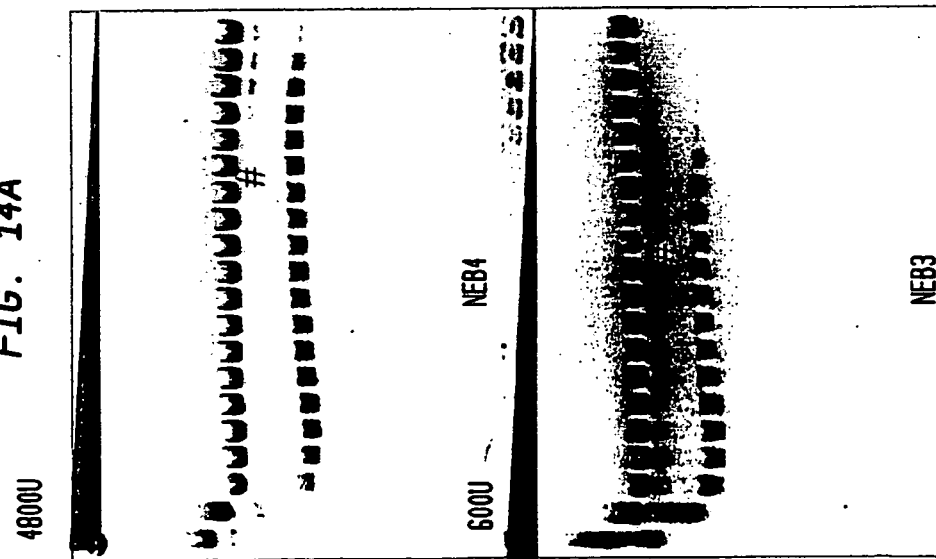


FIG. 14A



WT NcoI

NcoI-HF

FIG. 15B

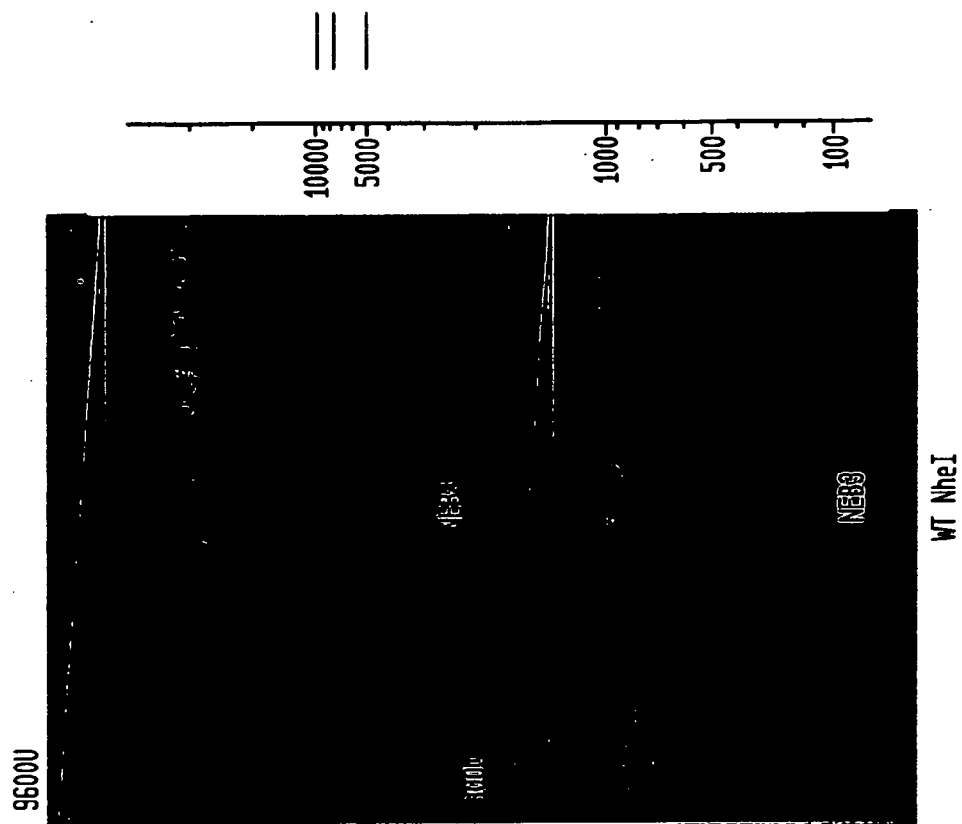


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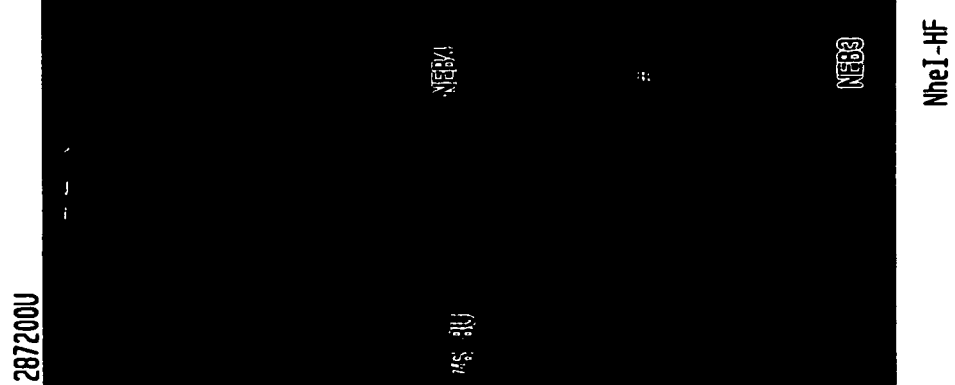


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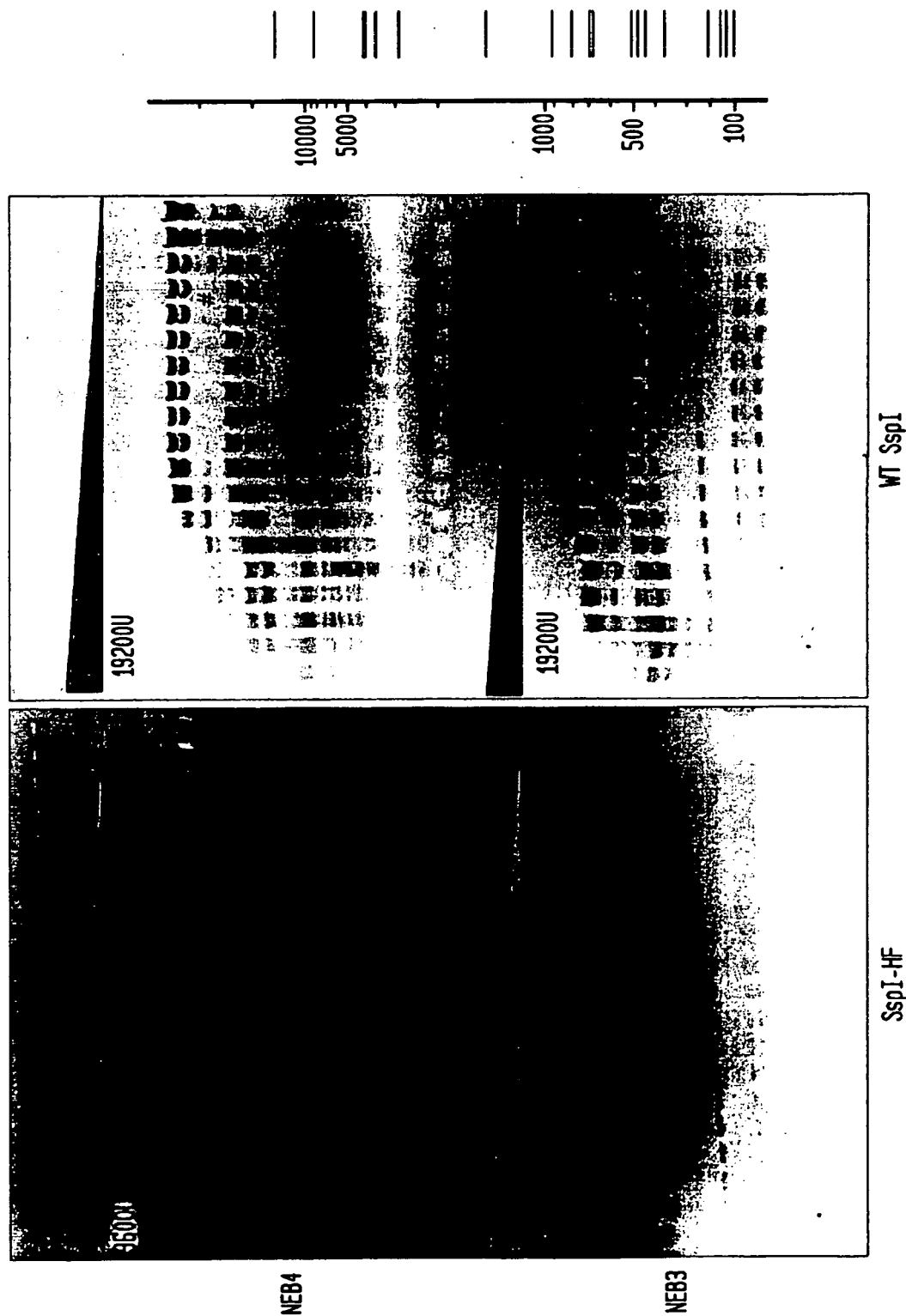
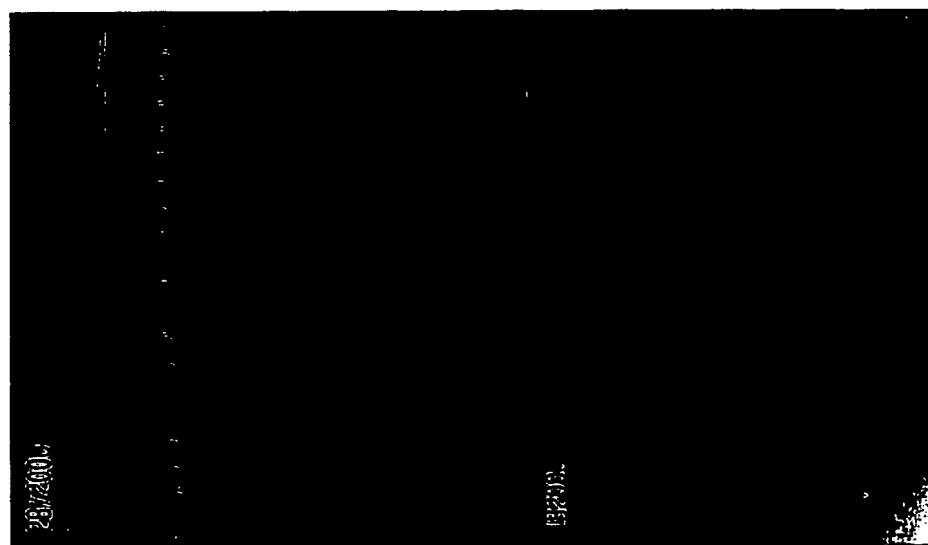


FIG. 16A

FIG. 17A



NotI-HF

FIG. 17B

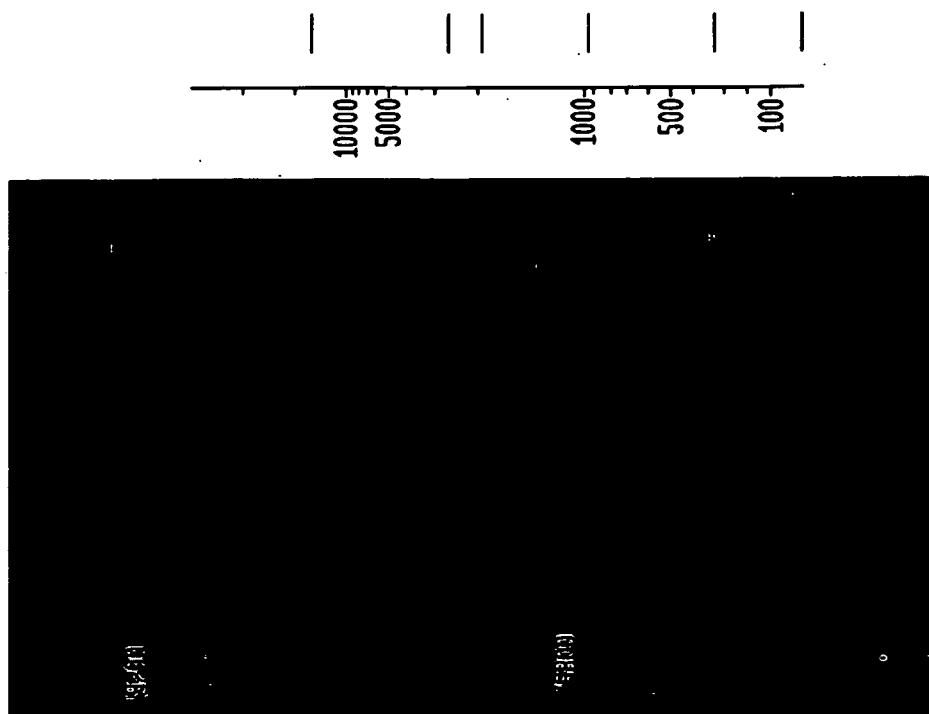


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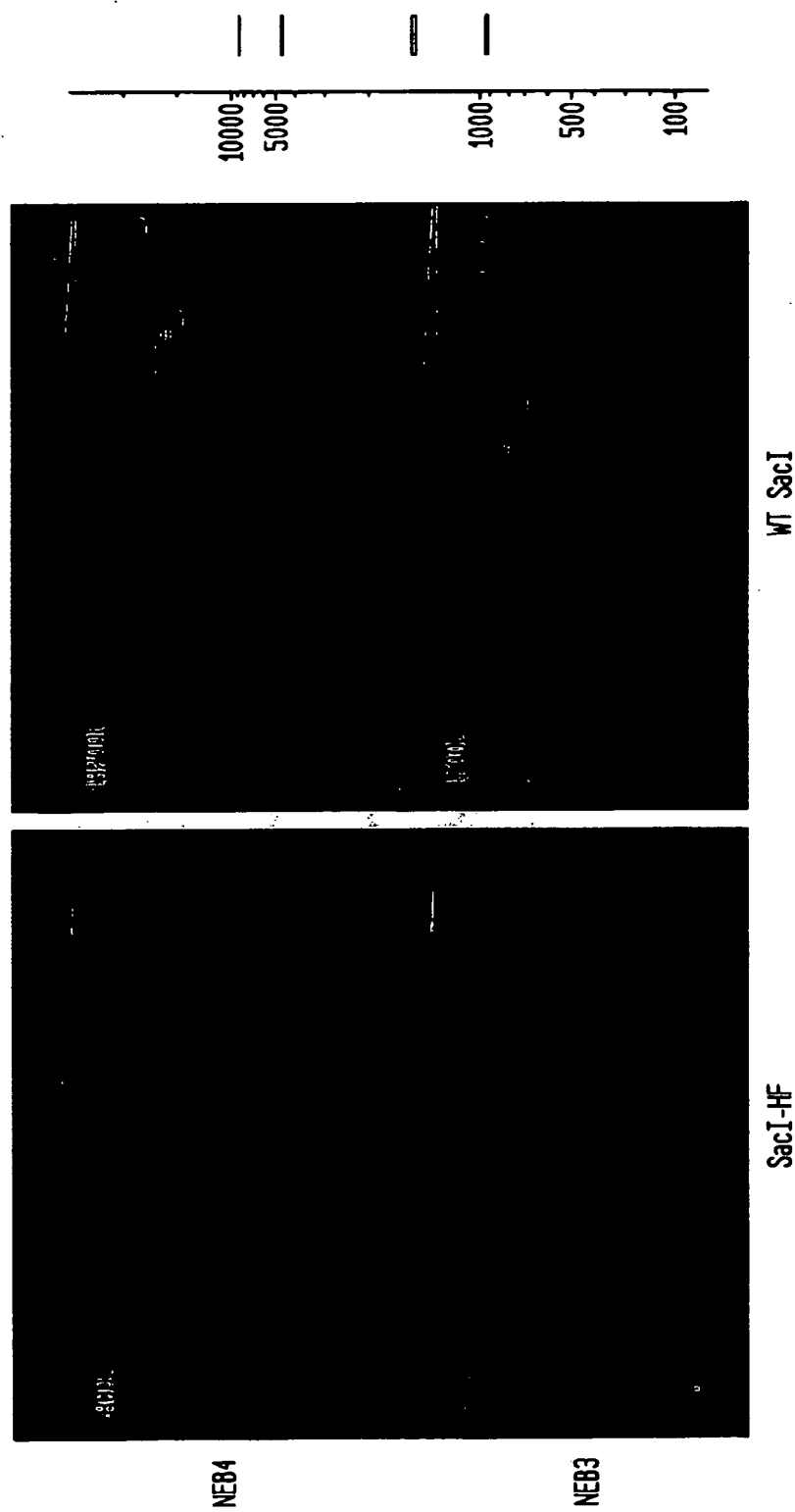


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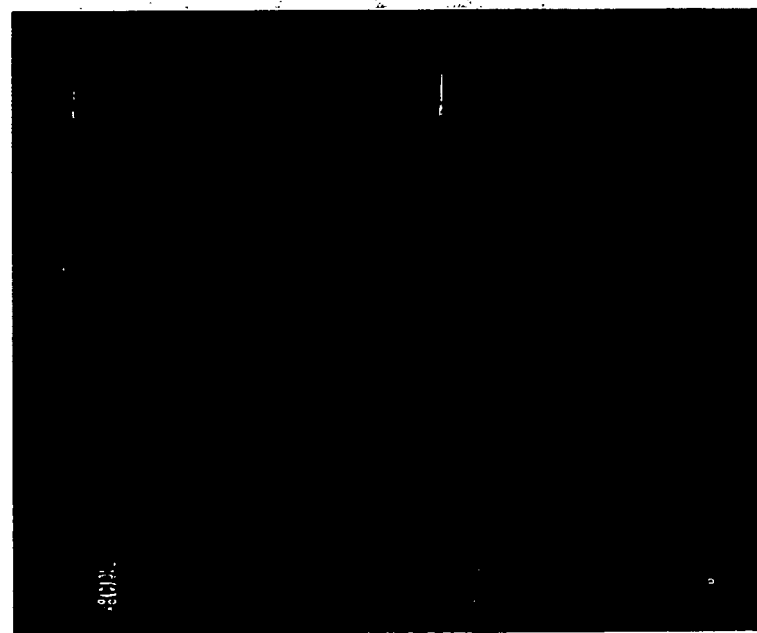


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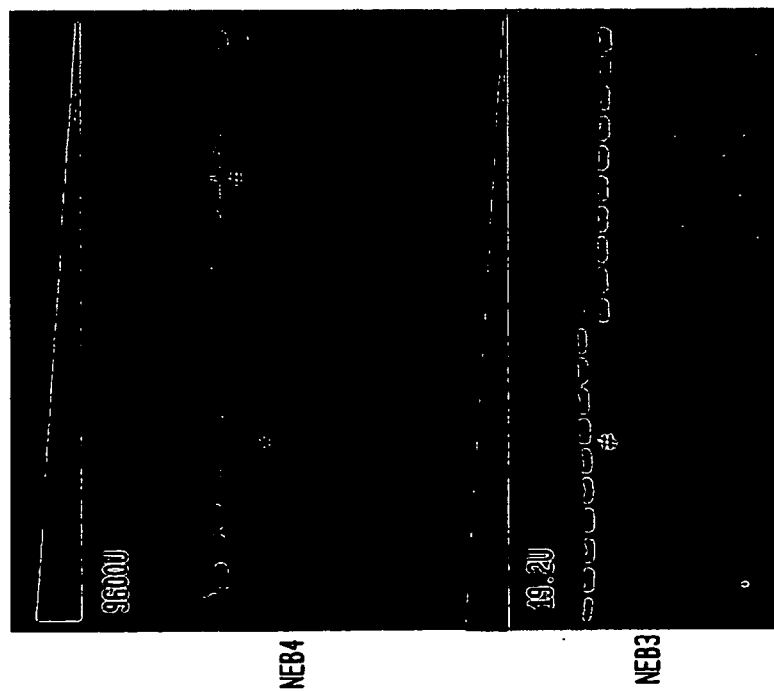


FIG. 19B

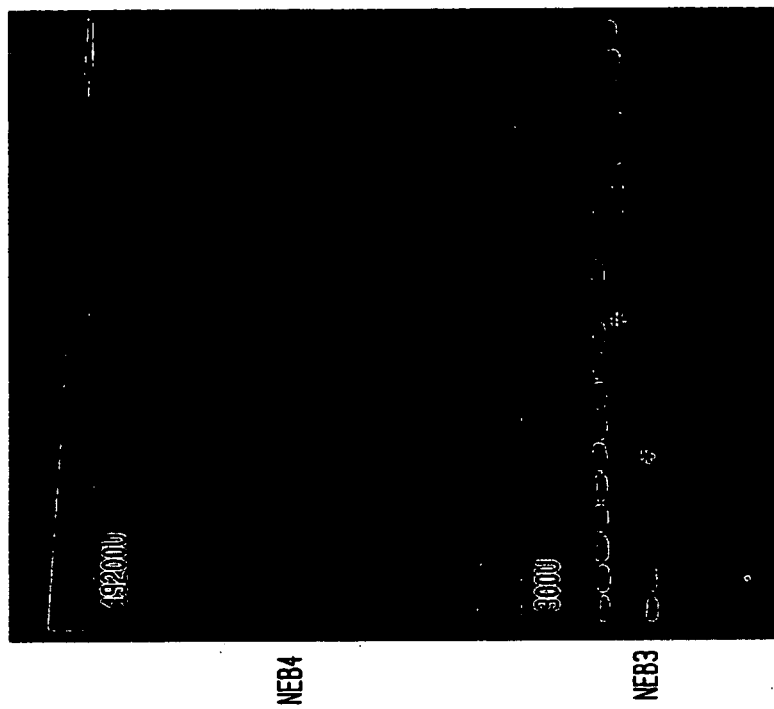


FIG. 20A

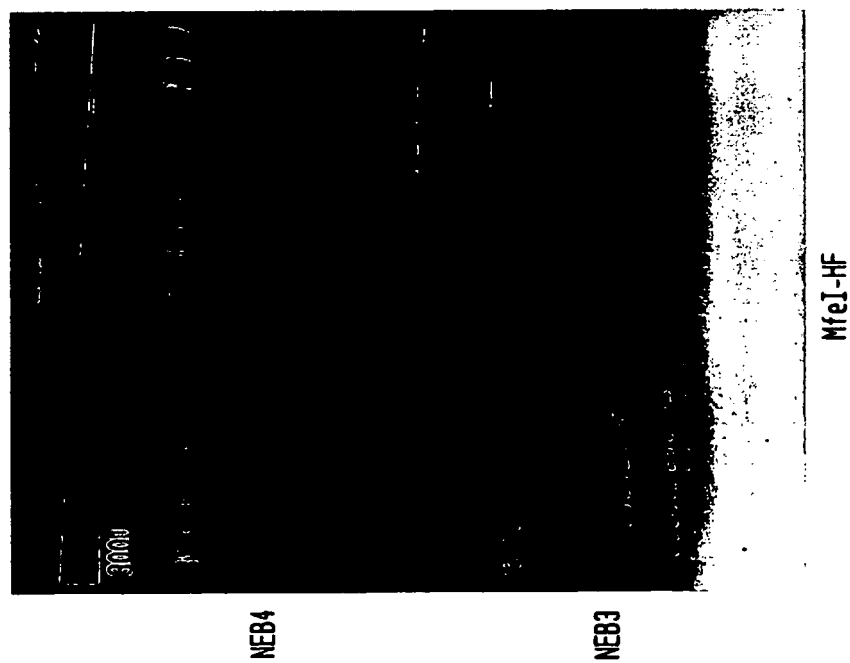


FIG. 20B

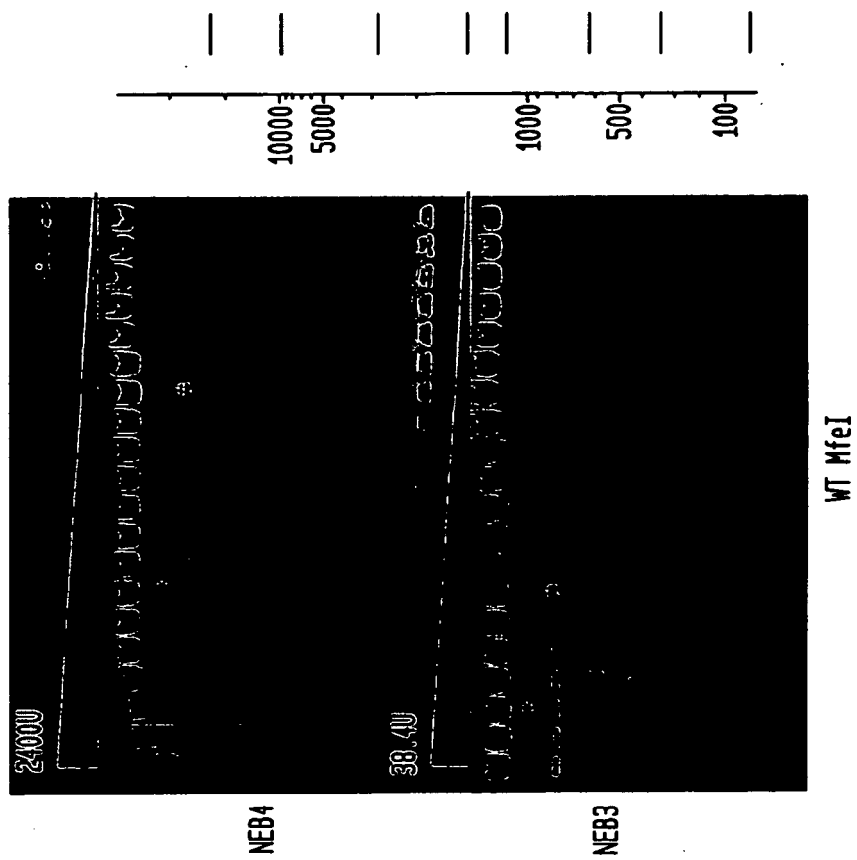


FIG. 21B

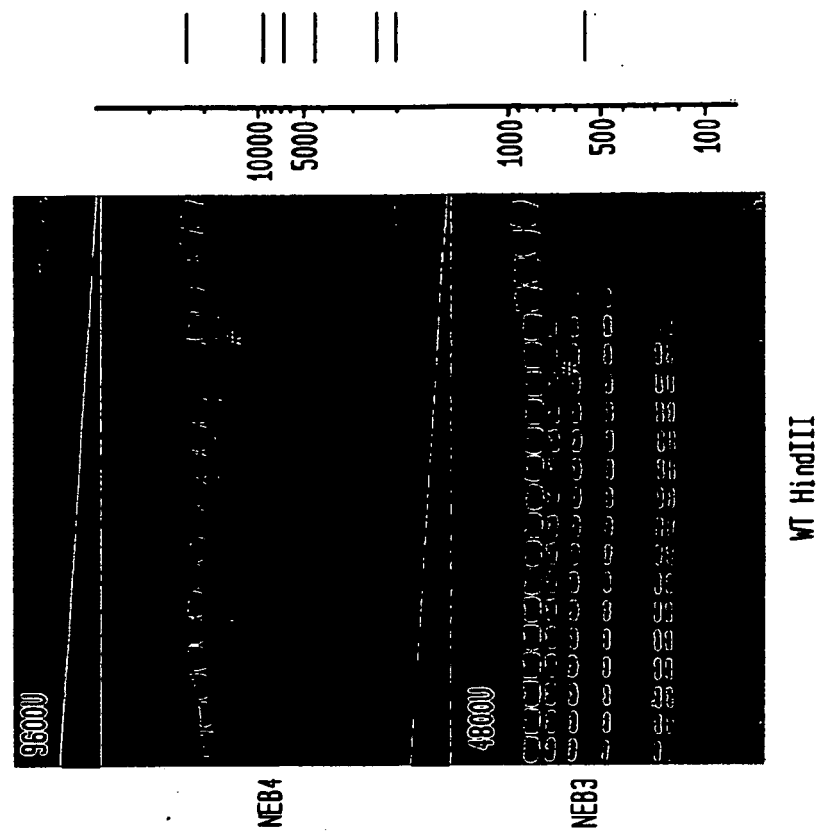
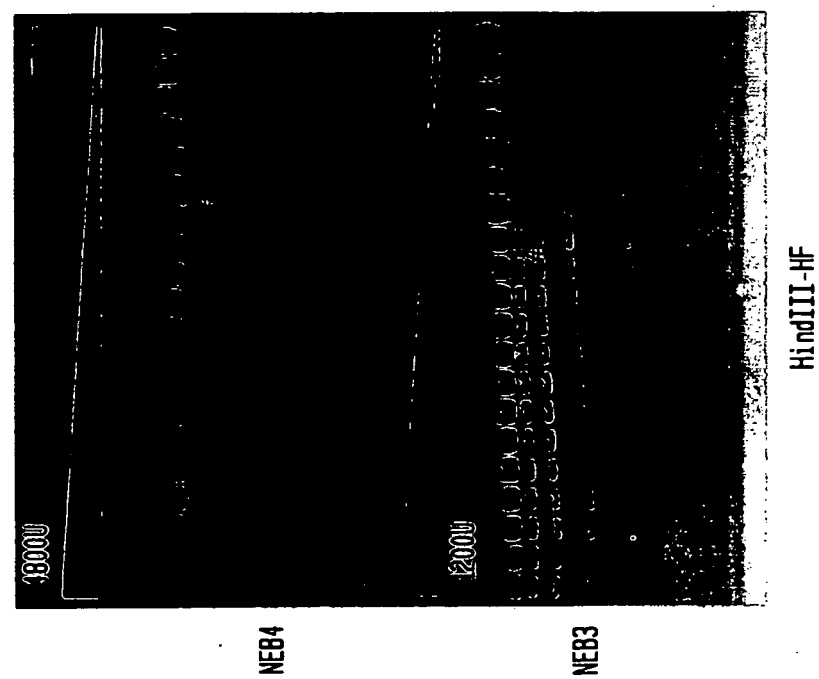


FIG. 21A



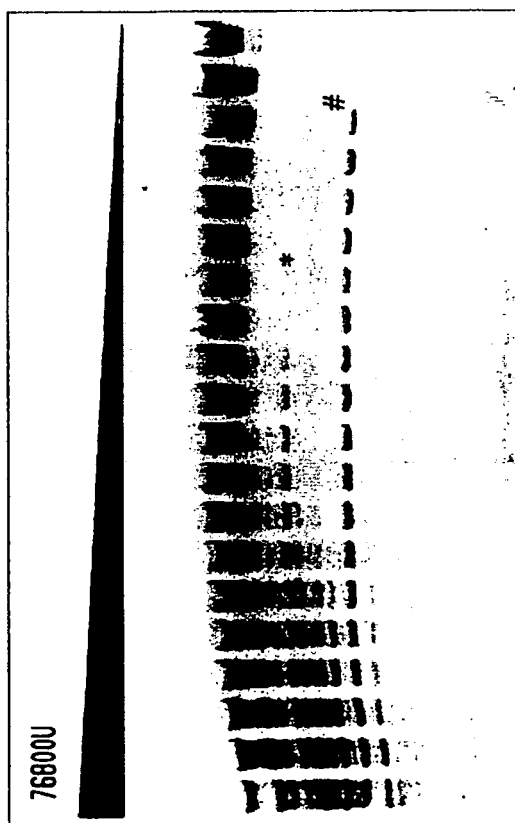


FIG. 22A

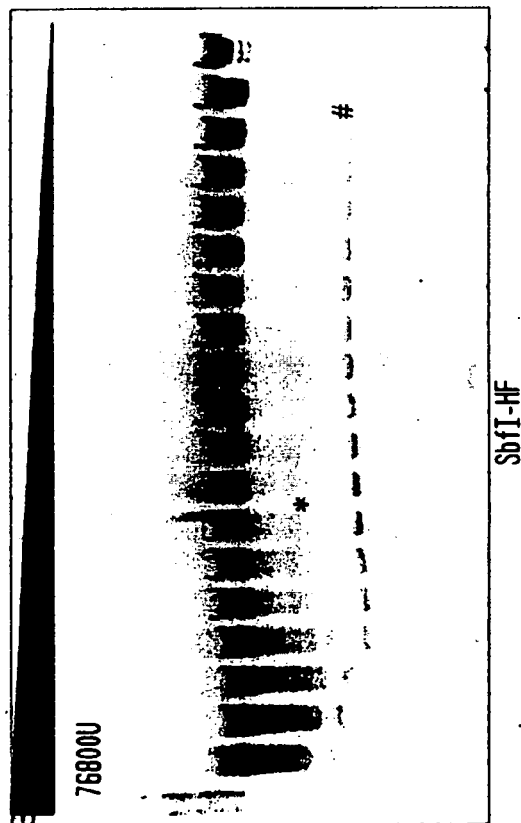


FIG. 22B

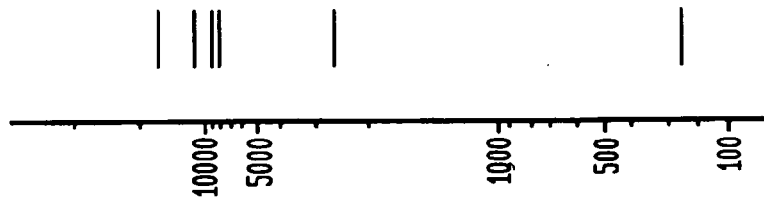


FIG. 23B

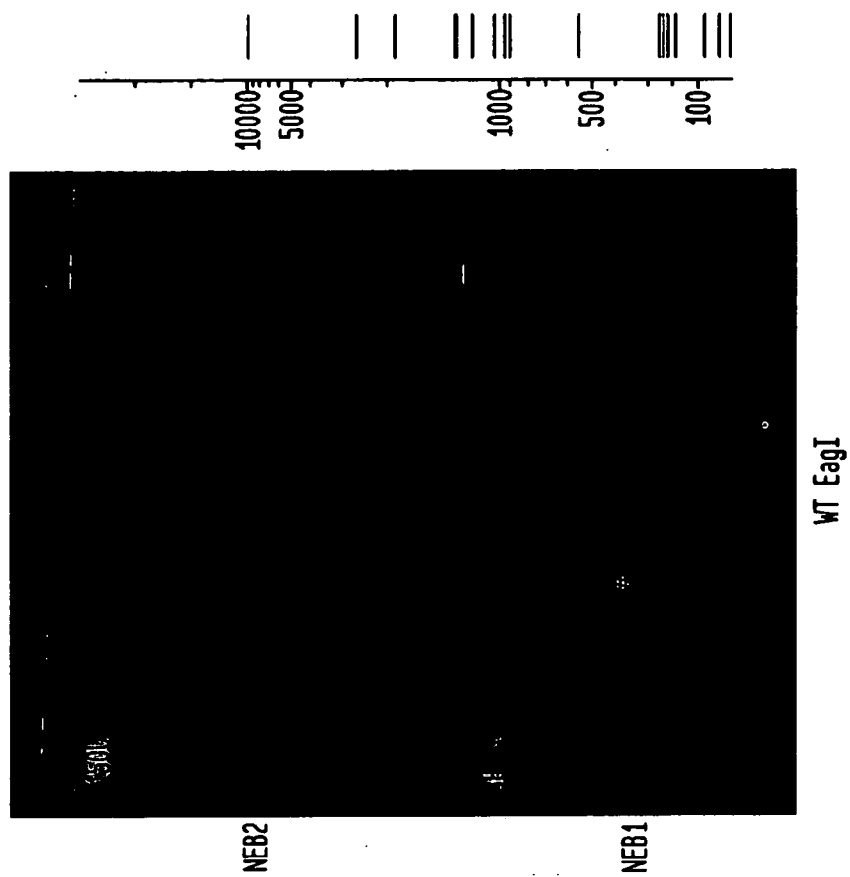
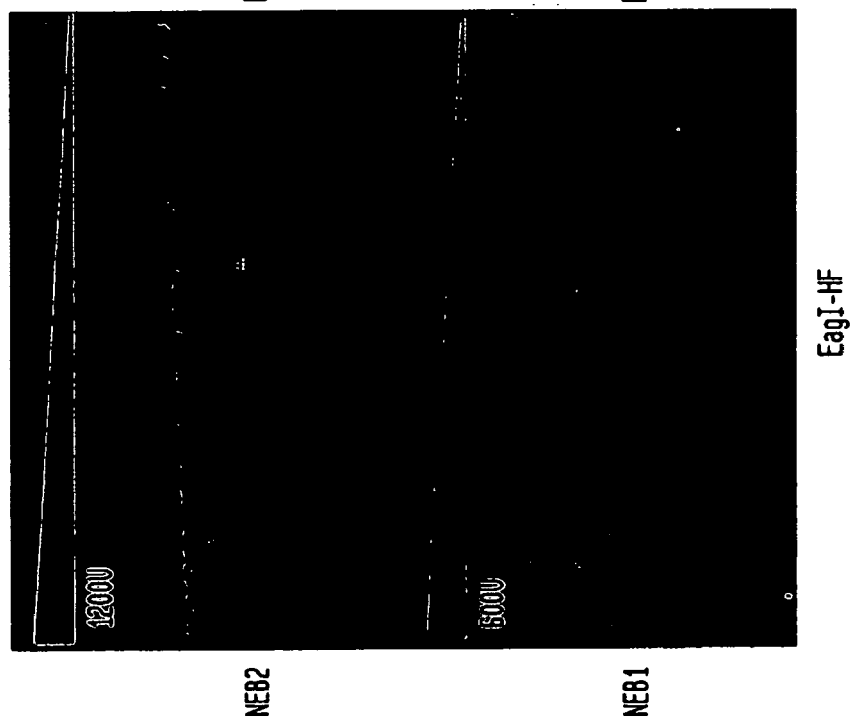
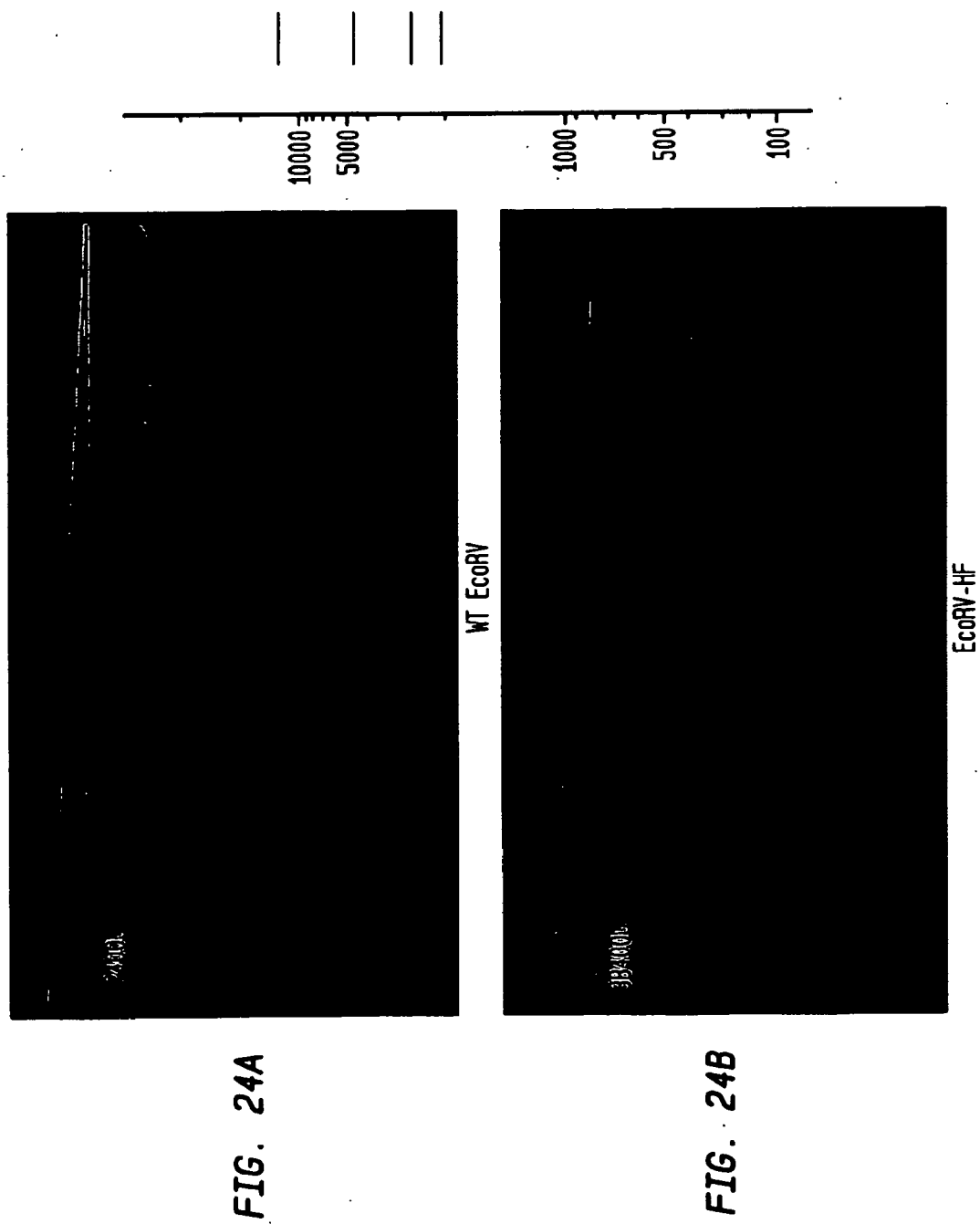


FIG. 23A





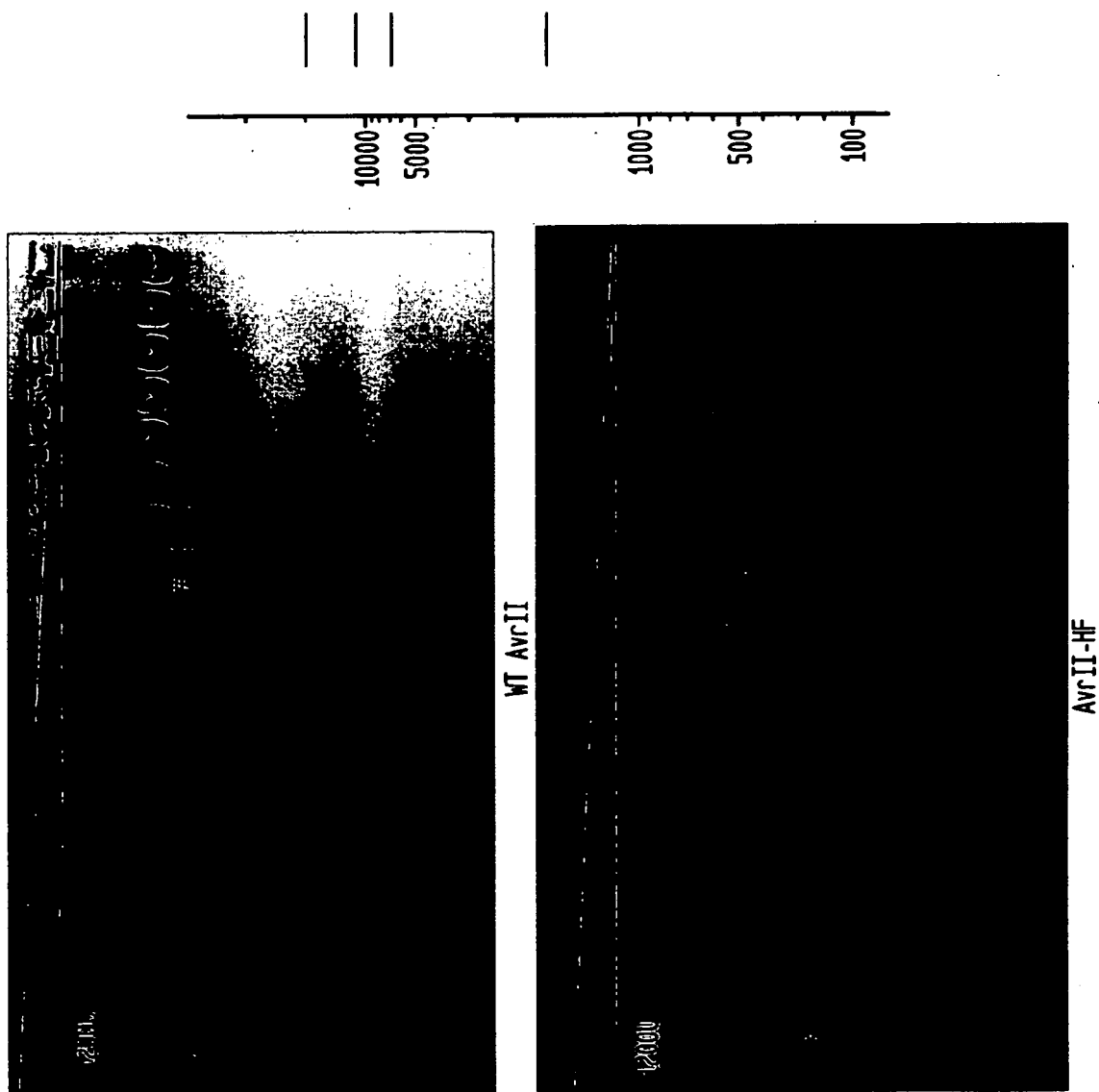


FIG. 25A

FIG. 25B

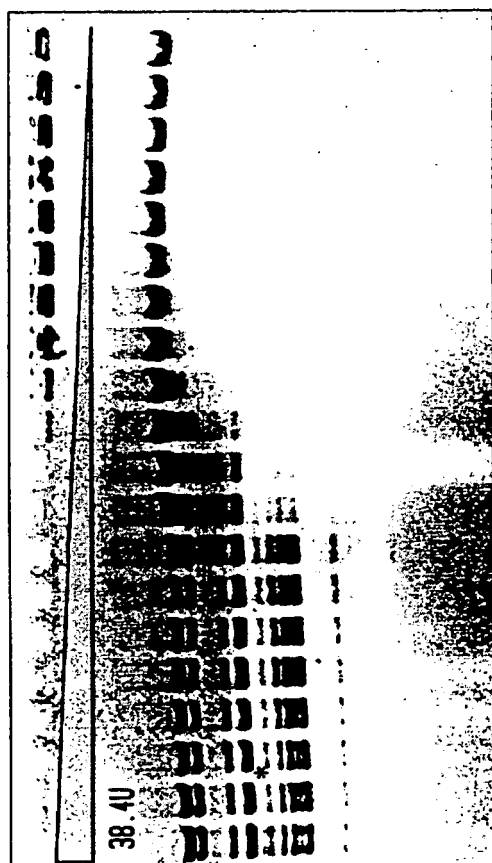


FIG. 26A

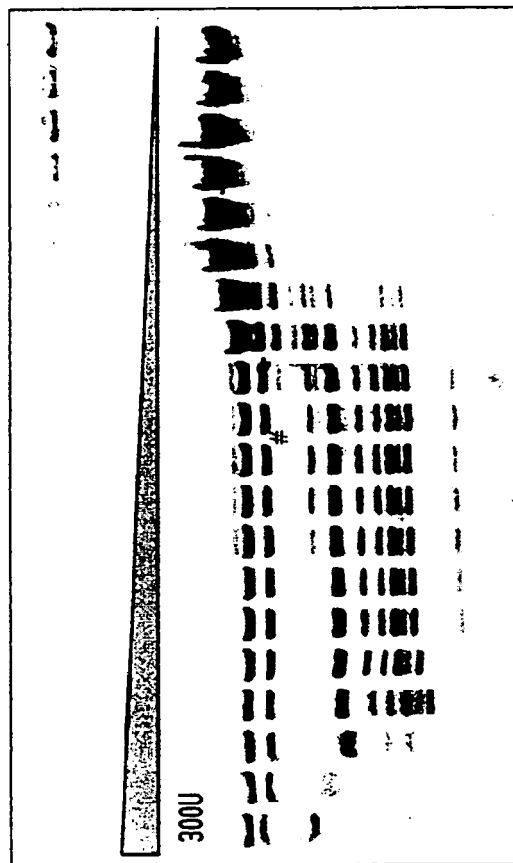


FIG. 26B



FIG. 27A

WT PciI

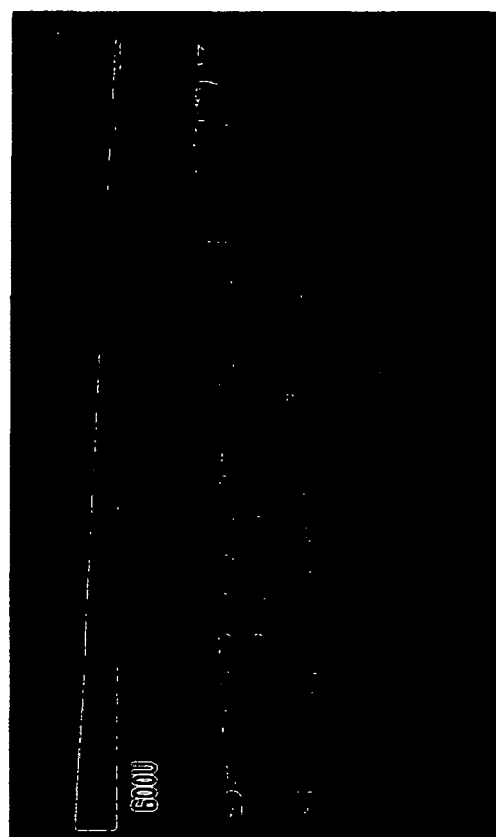
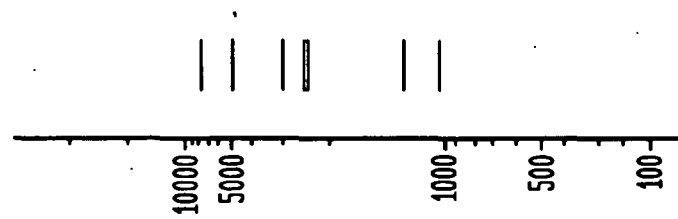
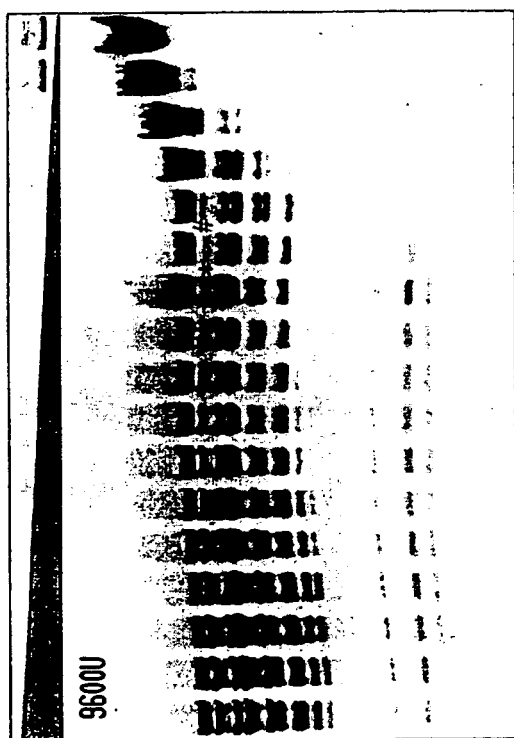


FIG. 27B

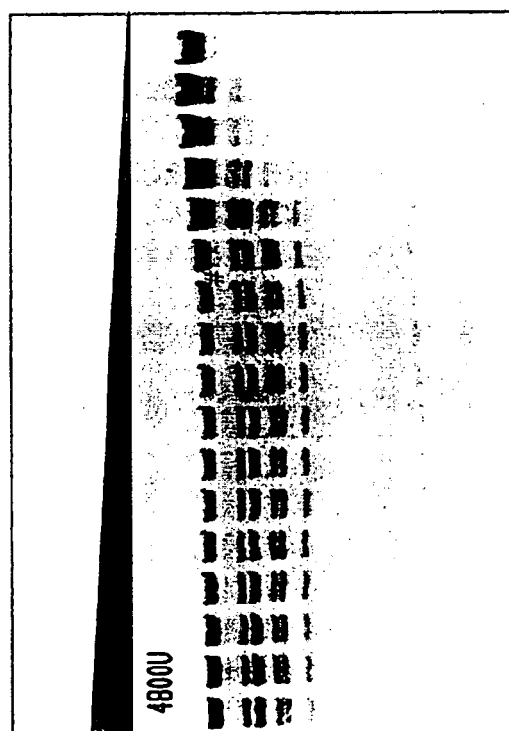
PciI-HF





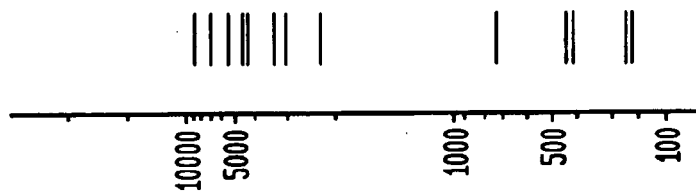
WT HpaI

FIG. 28A



HpaI-HF

FIG. 28B



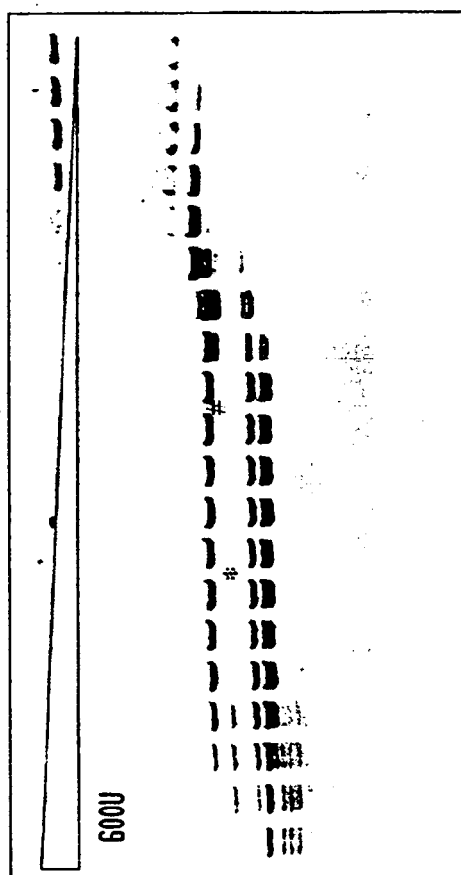


FIG. 29A

WT AgeI

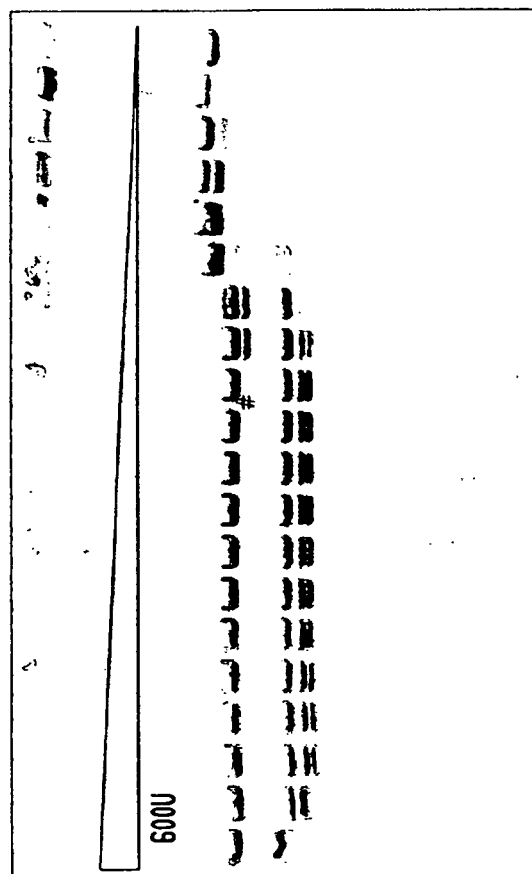
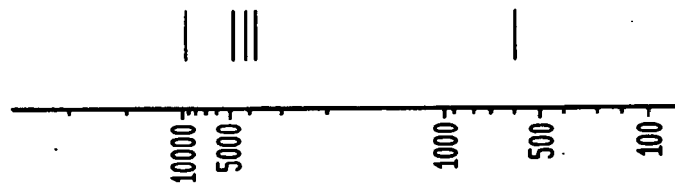


FIG. 29B

AgeI-HF



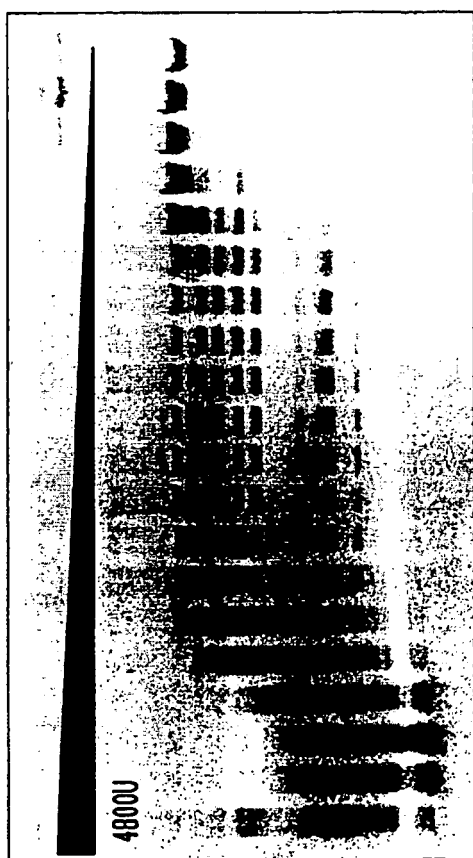


FIG. 30A

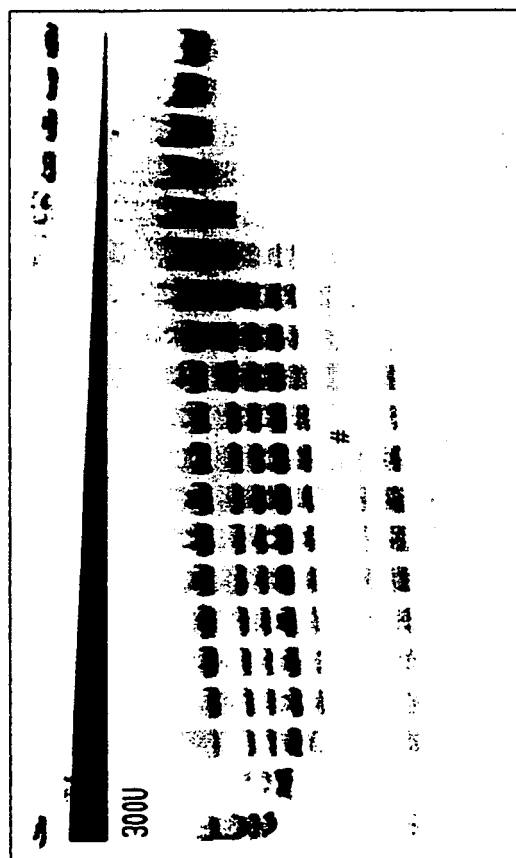


FIG. 30B

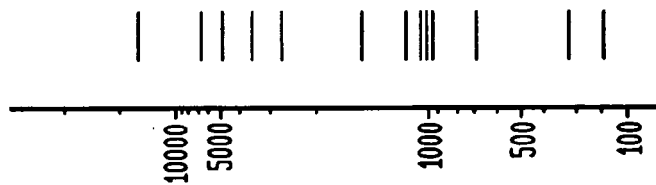


FIG. 31A

SEQ ID NO:1

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101 CGACGCGTGT GCGGCAAGAG TTCAAGCGTC GCGGGCTTCG AGTTCTTGCT
151 AACGACATAG CGACGTACTC CGAGGTTTTA GCCCAGTGCT ATATCGCCAC
201 CAACGGCCAG GAA GTTGACC GCCGTGCGCT CGAGGCCGCT CTGGCGGAGC
251 TGAACGCCTT GCGCGCGGAA CCTGGATACT TCACGGAAAC CTTCTGTGAG
301 GCTTCTCGCT ACTTCCAGCC CAAGAACGGG GCTCGGGTGG ATGCAATCAG
351 GAATGCGATC GACGACCGGT AC GCGGACTC ATGGATGCGA CCGATCCTCC
401 TCACGAGCTT GATGCTTGCG GCGGACCGCG TCGACTCCAC TACCGGAGTG
451 CAGATGGCTT ACCTGAAGCA GTGGCCGCG CGTGCGCACA ATGATCTAGA
501 GTTGCGGCTT CCAGACCTAA TCGCAGGTGA CGGTGACGCT GCTCGTGAGG
551 ATGCGGTGAC TCTCGACAA GAGCTGCCTC GCGTCCAGCT GATGTACCTT
601 GATCCTCCCT ATAACCAGCA CAGGTACTTC ACCAACTACC ATATTTGGGA
651 GACCTGATT CGTTGGGATG CCCCTGAGAG TTATGGGATC GCCTGTAAGC
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751 CGAATGCCCC ACGAGATGCG TCGCCTGCTG ATGACCATCA AGGCGGACCT
801 CCGGTTGTA TCTTACAACA ATGAGTCTGT GATTGATCCG GAGACGATGA
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901 GACTATAAGC GCTACGTTGG GGTCAAATC GGGATCTACA ATCCCTCCGG
951 GGAAGGTC GGTCTGTGTA GTCACCTCCG AAACATCGAG TATCTCTTTC
1001 TTGCGGGACC AACGGAGCGC GTTGAGGTGT GCGCCGCGAG TGTGAACAC
1051 CGAGCACTAC CCAAGGAACC GGAATCACC GCGTTCTAG

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FIG. 31B

SEQ ID NO:2

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AQCYIATNGQ EVDRRALEAA
LAELNALPGE PGYFTETFCE
ASRYFQPKNG ARVDAIRNAI
DDRYADSWMR PILLTSLMLA
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AREDAVTLAQ ELPRVQLMYL
DPPYNQHRYF TNYHIWETLI
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ATKSPYNMKR RMPDEMRRLL
HTIKADLAVV SYNNE SWIDP
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AF

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FIG. 32

SEQ ID NO:3

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AATTAG
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FIG. 33A

SEQ ID NO:4

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GAGAAATTAC TTTCTGGTAT GACCACTATC AAGATAATTA TTTGATGTGG CGACCAAATG AATCAGGCGA
AAAATTAGTT CAACACTTCA ATGAAAAATT AAAAAATAT TTAGATTAA

FIG. 33B

SEQ ID NO:5

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NDEEILPFV VFEGDITRDP KRVREITFWY DHYQDNYFMW RPNESGEKLV QHFNEKLKKY LD

FIG. 34A
SEQ ID NO:6

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ATATTGAATT TAACGATGAC TTTGAAGAAT AA

FIG. 34B
SEQ ID NO:7

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VEGATRSTSV NLFHMVPLVY ETLEHKPDQI AWGHAICNTR LGQRECLPLS RLKQEGTPVG LLEDNSLEV
LGWISKOKOF IRTENGEVWI KITDIEFNDD FEE

FIG. 35A

SEQ ID NO:8

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 AGAGGGATTA TTATGA

FIG. 35B

SEQ ID NO:9

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 KVNIFYIPEK ASWEYLLKNS ENDKIKEMID SAMEILENEY DELKGVLPKI YKNSNIPNEV ISDLLKLSQ EVFSAHDGRN
 VDLLGRVY EY FISNFATTEG TRGGEYFTPS SIVKLLVAML EPIKGTVYDP ACGTGGMFIQ SNKYRENNHN LCFVGQEQNE
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 DASDKGTLVG KKNKIFLDEE IKEIADLYHS FKFLNDNDYN HSGFYKKVNI EKIVENDYKL TPTLYVGVE ETEMEKPFRE
 MIIEYKAILE QQFEESNKLO QKILKNLEGL L

FIG. 36A

SEQ ID NO:10

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 CTA AAAAGCC TGAGTACTAT GAAAATGGTA CAATCCATG GATTACTCCT AAAGATTTAT CAGGCTATTA
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 TTACCAAAAA ATATAGACAC TTTTAATTCA ATTATGCAAG ATTATTTTAG GAAAATTGAG GAGTTAATTG
 ATGAAATAAA AATCTTAAAA ACCGCAAGAG ATAATTTAAT TCCAAACTT ATAAATGA

FIG. 36B

SEQ ID NO:11

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 AKRDFIETFA NGSTFKELSS TSAKNIPINL PSLEEKKIV TILGDLDRKI ELNYKIIESL
 EKIAERTYKY WFDVDELNDE QHIRNGWETA KIGDVVELLG GGTPTKSESK YWEDGDINWF
 TPSDLTKTRO LFVRDSQRKI TIDGLNNSAA KLIPPYSLLM SSRATIGELA INQESATTNO
 GFIVLIPNEK ISIQLYFWA KLNKSKIISM ANGSTFKEIS KRDFKSLEII LPKNIDTFNS
 IMODYFRKIE ELIDEIKILK TARDNLIPKL IK

FIG. 37A

SEQ ID NO: 12

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 CTGAGAAAAT AAAAAAGAC TTTACACACA AAAACTTTTT AAAAGAATTG AATGGCCTTA AAGGTGATAA
 AGTCTATCAT GACTTAGGCT TTGATACCGC TGAATATACT CTGGTACGTC TTATAGGAAG AATGAGCATA
 AGCGTTGGGA GAAGGCTGGG GGAGATATAC GATAAAGTCC CTCGTTATGT TGCTGCCGCG CGATTTGGTC
 TTCAACCAAA TCAAATTGCA GAAGTATTTG ATGGTCTTGA GTTAGATATA GCTTTGCCGA ATAGCCTTTT
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 GGAATCGAAA TTCGTTATAA CTTTAATCCA AATGACAGTT CCCGTTTAAG AAAAGACGTC GATGTAGCTT
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 CTTTAGGAG TGGATATTGG GTCTGTTTTA TCTGACCCAA TAATAGCCGC AGAAACTAGG GAGAAAACAT
 CAAAAATTAT GAAGTCTATA TTTGAATCAG AGGCATTCCA ATCTGTTATA CCGGGAGAGT GGAGTAACT
 ATAG

FIG. 37B

SEQ ID NO: 13

MKQFADPFER RFLDAIEHHL DGISEKIKKO FTHKNFLKEL NGLKGDKVYH DLGFDTAEYT LVRIGRMSI
 SVGRRLGEIY DKVPRYVAAA RFGLOPNOIA EVFDGLELDI ALRNSLLSDD DKIHKKITE KMSGETYSGI
 GIEIRYNFNP NDSSRLRKDV DVASKLSAAG LFPVYLIFSS LSPRNDAIAR LKRGGSFKO GQEALDFLTE
 LLGVDIGSVL SDPIIAAETR EKTSKIMKSI FESEAFQSVI PGEWSKL

FIG. 38A

SEQ ID NO: 14

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 AATGTAACGC TAGGAAACT ACAACTGCAC TTTGTAAACA AAGACGATAA AGAGATAAAC GTCTGGCCTA
 CATATGAATC TCATGCAAAA AAAATGATTC ACGACTTGTC ATTAATTAAT AAGCAAAATT TCGAATTTT
 GCCAAGATT ATTTATGGTG ATTCAACTCA AAAATCAACA TTTAGCGAGG TGGCAGGGAT AGATGCTATA
 ATAACATCCC CTCGTAACC TAATAGGTAC AGCTATATTT GGAATACTCG CCCTCACCTG TACATTCTTG
 ATATGATTTC CGAAGCAAAA GAGGCTTCGC AAATAGATCG TAGAACGATT GGTGGAACAT GGGGACAGC
 AACTTCCGAA TTAGGAAAGG GTATATTTT TCCAATCAAT GCTGTAGTCA AAGACGCGCT TGAAGGGGT
 CACGAAAGAA TCGCCGGTTC CGATCAACTC ATGGCAAACT ATGTAAGTCA TTATTTTAAT CGGCTCTTTT
 TACATATAGA AGCTATAAAA CCATCACTTA ATCCAAAAGC AAAGCTTGCT TATGTTGTTG GGAAGCTCTG
 GATTAAGGGC GAATATGTAG CCACTGACGT AATCTTAGCA AAAATTATCG AAGGGGCTTT GCCAGGCTCA
 TCAATTGATG GTCTTCATCG TTTCCGTCGC CGAACAGTG GAAAGAATCT CTTTGAAACT ATAGTTTACT
 CCACTCTCCC GGTATAA

FIG. 38B

SEQ ID NO: 15

MTNFSHSALT SYDLLGHEIV QDSEAVSSGP YLVSYPPIPV RRSTFLAGLS ENVHSWFRLT PSFGPDLVRT
 IIKQMNLAHP SHIHDPFSGA GTTAIEASLE GYEASCVEVN PFLYFVGKTS IDWSINADDA AAQLESIKNK
 YYSMSATATL DNIADLGIDI PKIHNIHRWW RNDVLKDILV LKSSIRSCTQ DKYCSFFELA LAAVLVPDLT
 NVTLGKLQLH FVNKDDKEIN VWPTYESHAK KMIHDLSLIN KONFEFLPKI IYGDSTQKST FSEVAGIDAI
 ITSPYPNRY SYIWNTRPHL YIOMISEAK EASQIDRTI GGTWGTATSE LGKGIFSPIN AVVKDALEGV
 HERIAGSDQL MANYVTHYFN RLFLHIEAIK PSLNPKAKLA YVVGNSWIKG EYVATDVILA KIIEGALPGS
 SIDGLHRFRF RNSGKNLFET IVYSTLPV

FIG. 39

SEQ ID NO:17

>M1.EarI CTCTTC 1245 nt

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GTGAATCAGA AAAATGAAAA ATCATTATG CGTTTGCAAT CAACCTTTAG CGGTGGCAAA
GGTAGTCCAA TGCATGATTG GTACCCATAT TTAGAGGGTT ATTCTCCCGA ATTTGTGAAA
TGCTTGATT CACGATTTC TCCTAAAGCC AAAACAATTT TAGATCCATT TTGTGGCTCT
GGAACAACAG CCATTGTTTC CGTTTAAATA ATTACTATT CGAAGTAAAC
CCTTTATGCC AATATATTAT TGAAACTAAA CTAATAGCTT TAACATTAAG CGAAGAAGAA
AAAACAAAAT TAGTAAATGA ACTTTATTCT ATTTCTAATG AAATAACTAA TGTACTCAAA
CCTTCTGCAA CCGAGACAGA TCTAGAGAAA TCATTTAAAT CCGTTTTTGG TAATACGAAA
TTTTTTGAGG ATCACATATT TAAAGATATA CTTAGTTATC AATGTTACAT TAGCTCTATC
GAAGATGAAA ATCTTAAGAG ACTTCTGACA ATAGCAGGGA TTAGATCGTT AATCCCTTCC
TCGTTATTGG TAAGACGAGG TGATTTACGA TTCAAGACAC AAAAAGAATT AGAGAAAGGC
AACCAGGGCT TTCGCTTTC TGTACAAAA AGCTTAGAAT TAATTGCCAG TGATTTATTA
GACATTACGG AAGGTAGTGG TTTAGCTACC TTCTTATGTG ATGATGCCAA AGAAATATCT
GGGAATAACC TGATTGATGC TGTAATAACA AGCCCGCCAT ATTTAAATGG CACAAATTAT
TTTAGAAATA CTAAATTTGA ACTTTGGTTT ATAGGGAAT TAAAGACCAA ATCAGATCTA
AGACATTATA GGGATTTAGC TATTACCAAT GGTATTAACG ATGTAACATA AGGTAAAGC
TTATCTTCAA ATAATACTAT TATCTCAGAA ATACCATTAT TATCTGAATG TATTAAAGAA
CTAAGCATAA AAGAGTATGA TAGTCGTATT TCAATGATGG TTGAAAACTA CTTTTGGGAC
ATGTTCAAAT TCTTATCAAA ACTCCCAAAA TTAATACTA ATGATGCGAC TATCTGTATA
GATTTAGGTG ATTCTGTITA TTGTAACGTC TACATCCCTA CACAAGATAT TTTGAAAGAA
ATGATGTCAA AGTTAGGTTT TGAAGAGAAC GAAAGGTC TAATCTCTGA ACGAAATCC
CGCAATGGAA CAAAGTTAGT CCAGACTGTT CAGGTTTTTA AATGA

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FIG. 40

SEQ ID NO:18

>M2.EarI CTCTTC 1140 nt

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ATGAAAAATA AATATTTTAG TAAAAAATGG GAGCAATTCA AGAAAGAATT ACCCCATCAA
TCAGGTGAAA TGGTAAAGAG AAATTGGGGC CATACTGGC ACTCTATGTG TTCATACCAA
GGGAAACTTA AACCATCAAT AGCTAGATCT TTAATTGATA CATTATGCC ATCAAGTAAG
GGACGTATAT TAGATGTCTT CTCAGGTGTT GGCACCATTC CTTTCAAGC AAGATTACTT
GGTCATACTG CATATGGATT TGATATTAGT CCAGCAGCAG TTAATATTTT ACGCGCAAAA
CTAGAAGTTA TAAGTAAAAA TGAAATCCAA GAGGTAATTA ATAAATTATC TGATTTTATT
GAGCAAAACA AAAATTCAAT AGATTATAAC GAACATAATT TAATAAGGTT TAATGGTTCA
ATTGAATCCT ATTTTCATCC TGAACTTTT AAGGAAATAC TGTGTGCTCG TAAATTCCTT
TTAATAAAAG GTGAATTAAA TGCATCTGAA TCGTTAGTAC AGTCATGTTT ATTACATATT
TTACATGGTA ATCGTCCGTA TGCATTGAGT AGAAAGTCCC ATCCTATTAC ACCTTTCGGG
CCTACTGGAG ATTTTATATA CAGTAATTTA GTTATAAAGT TAATCAAAA AGTTGAAAGA
GTCTTGCAAA ATTCTGATGG TATCCAGAT ACTGGCAGCA AAGTATTTTA TCAGGACTCT
ACAAAAAGTT GGCCTGAAGA AGTAAATAAT TTAGATGCAA TTATAACATC ACCTCCATT
TATGATAGTA CCCGTTTCTA TTCAGCAAAT TGGATGCGAT TATGGTTTTT TGGTTGGGAA
AAAGATGACT TCCAAACGAA GCCAAAAGAT TTTGTGGACG AAACCTCAGAA AAAAAGCTTT
GAAATATATG ATAATATATT CAAACAATCT CAACAATGCT TAAAAAAGA TGGCGTTTTT
TTAATGCACG TTGGCAAAAG TAAAAAAGT GATATGGCAG GACAAATTGC TAAATTTGGT
AGTAATTATC TTAGCCTTAT AGATATATTT GACGAAAGTG TTGAACATTG CGAAAGTCAC
GGAATTAAG ACAAAGGCAC GACAACCCAT CATCAGTACC TTGTCTTTAC GAAAGATTAG

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FIG. 41A

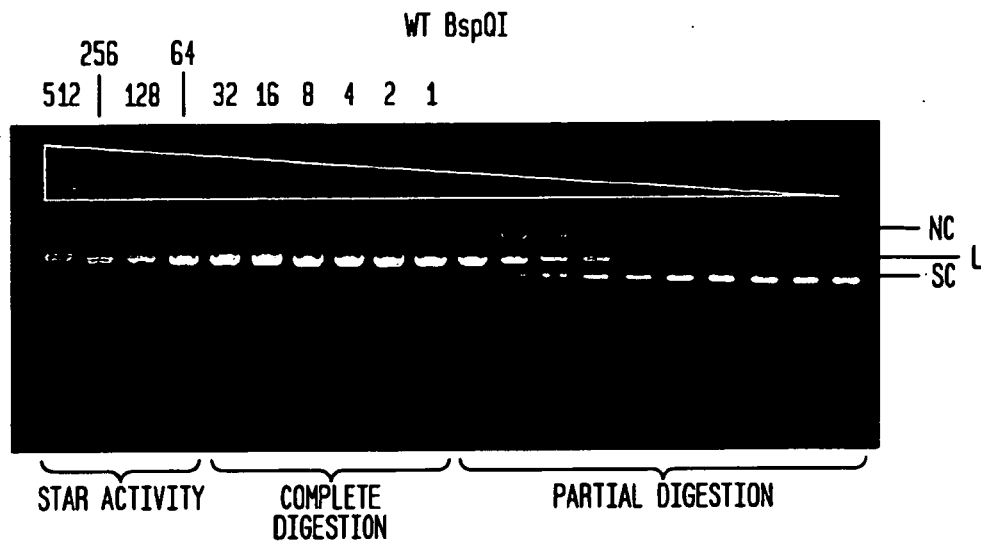


FIG. 41B

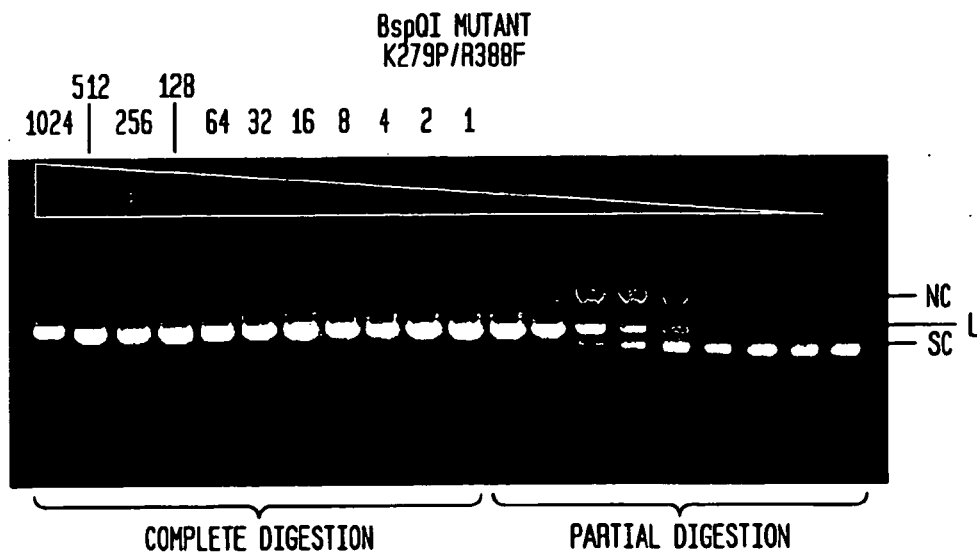


FIG. 42

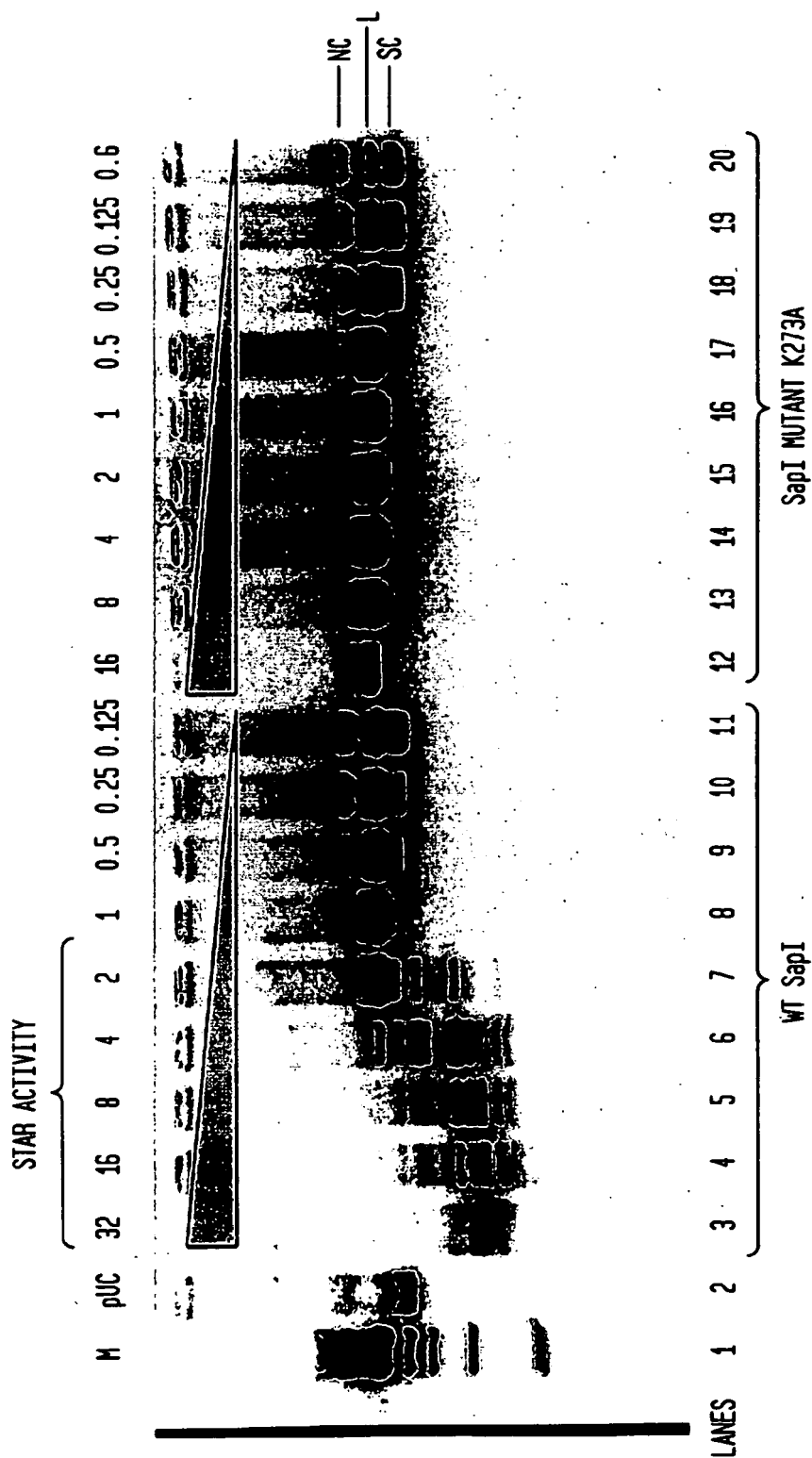


FIG. 43A

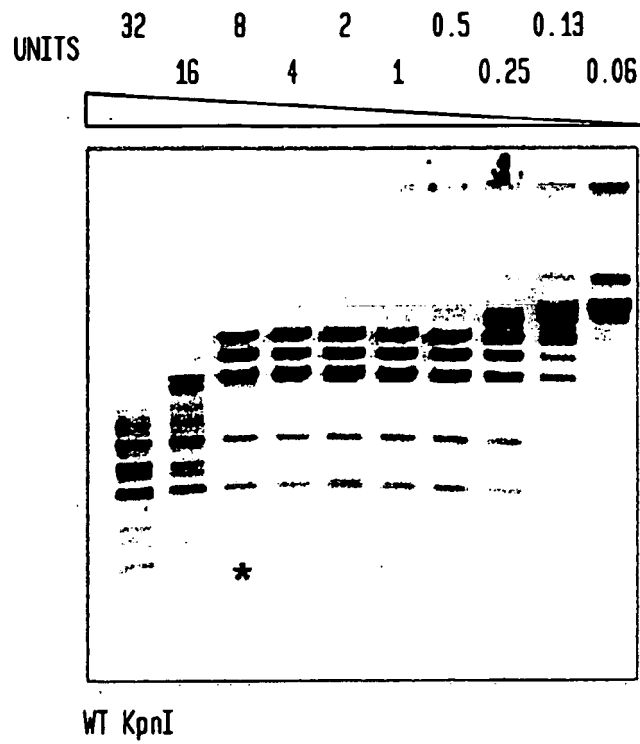


FIG. 43B

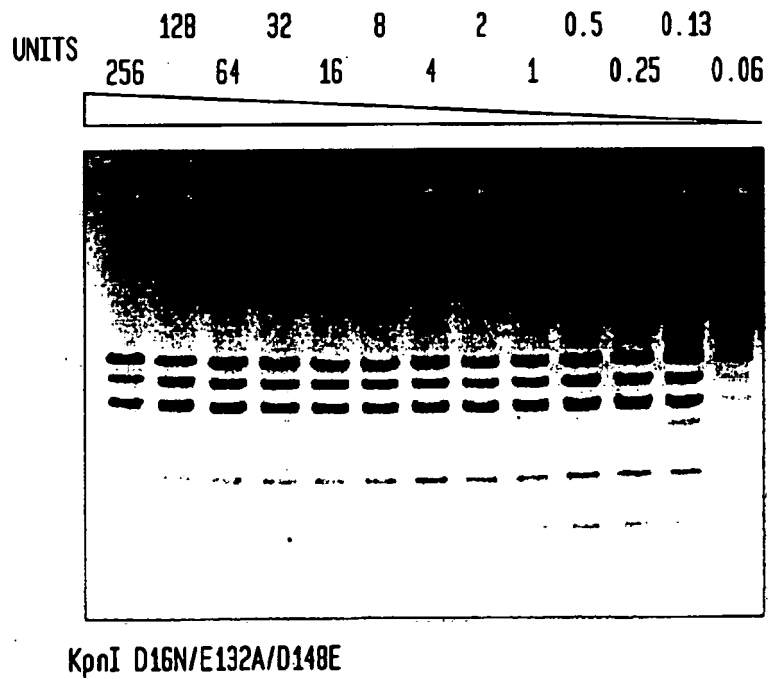


FIG. 44A

>AgeI ACCGGT 272 aa (SEQ ID NO:79)

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MRLDLDFGRG LVAHVMDNV SEEQYQDISD YFVPLVKNPK LKSRDAIGQA
FVMATEVCPD ANPSDLWHV LYRIYIREKI GTDPSQSWR TSGEAFEVAL
VERYNPVLAR HGIRLTALFK GQKGLALTRM GVADRVGSRK VDMHIEKQGG
GRSPDAEGFG VVGGIHAKVS LAERVSDIP ASRIMMGEGL LSVLSTLDVK
SFPPPHGDLV NRGELGTPDR PSDKRYIEG HGDFSACFSY NLRTPPSNAT
TPSGRHIYVS ASLVRTTSSP TT

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>AvrII CCTAGG 358 aa (SEQ ID NO:80)

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MEEDLDLSEN IEAASAEIT LYQVAADAMK DYIEIYLALS KQSDGFSNIN
NLDLTSRNR LVIHGLSLE LDPDTSTPEE IKREAERMLA IALDTESAIT
AGVYEKMLRF ASSLVDFE QDELNSLSS EYLSANPGFL PFFQOLAGLR
SKSELKREVG NASDNSISKA VAERILERII RNLRIRTFSK EKLLQAVEPT
LEGIVRDLVG KVLENIVAD ALSDLQVPM RESEYQSLKG VIYDFRADFV
IPDAQNP IAF IEVRKSSTRH ASLYAKDKMF SAINWKGNK RLLGILVVEG
PWTRETLRVM ANVFDYVTP TRVSQVAEI RAYLDGDKTR LKWLNVFSIE
EADHDNIT

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>AvrII CCTAGG 1077 nt (SEQ ID NO:110)

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ATGGAAGAAG ACCTTGATTT ATCTGAAAAT ATCGAAGCTG CATCTGCGGA
GCTTACGACT CTTTATCAGG TAGCTGCTGA TGCTATGAAA GATTATATTG
AAATCTATCT TCGCTGAGT AAACAGTCTG ATGGGTTTTT AAATATTAAC
AATCTTGACT TAACTTCTCG TAACAGGCGT TTGGTAGTTA TACATGGACT
TTCGTTAGAG TTAGATCCAG ATACTTCGAC TCCAGAGGAA ATTAACCGTG
AAGCTGAACG AATGCTAGCG ATAGCTCTTG ATACAGAGTC AGCAATTACG
GCAGGAGTAT ATGAAAAAAT GCGTCTCTTC GCAAGCTCTT TAGTAGATCA
GCTATTTGAA CAAACGGATG AACTTAATTC ATTATCATCG GAATATTTGT
CAGCAAATCC AGGATTTTTG CCGTTTTTCC AGCAGTTGGC GGGGCTTAGA
AGTAAATCAG AGTTAAAGAG AGAAGTAGGA AATGCCTCTG ACAATAGTAT
TTCTAAAGCG GTTGACAGAG GAATATTAGA GCGCATTATA CGTAACTTGA
GAATTCGCAC TTTTCCAAA GAGAACTAT TACAAGCTGT TGAGCCTACT
TTAGAAGGAA TAGTCAGGGA TCTCGTAGGA AAAGTGTAT TGGAAAATAT
AGTTGCTGAT GCTTTATCTG ATTTACAAGT TCCTTTCATG CGTGAATCAG
AGTATCAAAG CCTTAAAGGA GTGATTATG ATTTCCGCGC TGATTTTGTG
ATACCAGACG CACAAAATCC AATTGCTTTT ATCGAGGTGC GAAAAAGCTC
TACACGACAT GCGTCACTCT ATGCCAAGGA TAAGATGTTT TCAGCGATTA
ATTGGAAGG AAAAAATAAA AGGCTTTTGG GTATTTTGGT TGTGGAAGGA
CCTTGGACAA GAGAACTCT TCGCGTCATG GCAATGTGT TTGATTACGT
TACACCTTTA ACTCGTGTG CCCAAGTTGC AGAAGCTATC AGAGCATATC
TAGATGGGGA TAAAACGAGA CTGAAGTGGT TAGTTAATTT CAGTATTGAA
GAAGCAGACC ACGACAACAT AACCTAA

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FIG. 44B

>BsmBI CGTCTC 530 aa (SEQ ID NO:81)

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MAKYGRGKFL PHQNYIDYMH FIVNHKNYSG MPNAIGEDGR INWOVSSGKT
TSFYEYYQAR FEWWEKKADE LNLPGTGNSN KRFSLAARLI HPTGQRPCRL
CGKYQYVGYM YVSHNLYKRW SKITGREDLF FKKQNIIEAA NIFKSIMGEQ
ALINELTTIF PERKDYFNRL PNIEDFFVSS SHIKNNGNYI SPGFMANPPD
RLDGFHDYGI CCRKEKDPGR HDDNMRLYNH DRRAFMWSE GDWALADALY
NKAGAGKCAD PDCQKEVEKI SPDHVGPISC GFKQIPFFKP LCASCNSAKN
RRFSYQDVKE LLKYENYTGQ SVASWQVRAL WDNCKHLVKN DDDSKLLSNL
MRSLODYLR SLYKLFSNGF AHLLSYFLTP EYAHYKITFE GLNTSTLEYE
RYKYTFKKTG STSSLAARIV RIAFEELEIY NSKDINERKL IKFDTSSWEK
DFENIISYAT KNLSLDEEAS KWNKVLTKN LSSTEKDKKI SSLEDKNYE
VYKKQFYILK DLLVEHFNKI GEOIAKDYMK

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>BspQI GCTCTTC 430 aa (SEQ ID NO:16)

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1  MRRLAKNSRN DSYLSNRDYO EIVRENTTII SFPLKEKHTL TLTKKIGLNQ 50
51 TAGFGGWFFP DSPCLLTVTV LSSFGTKVTS KTFSLSKDWN RVGLAWINEH 100
101 SSDTMSIVLE FSDVEIVHTW GLTCDVFNH ELIIDAIEDO NKLIDVLNQE 150
151 HLPETYLYN HSDTDLIEN LESTEEIKIV NOSQKQISLK KCCYCQRYMP 200
201 VNILVRSNSS FHKHKSCKTG FONECRACK WRINNSFPV RTKDQLHESA 250
251 VITREKKILL KEPEILOKIK NRNNGEGLKS IIWKKFDKKC FNCEKELTIE 300
301 EVRLDHTRPL AYLWPIDEHA TCLCEKCNNT KDMFPIDFY QGDEDKLRL 350
351 ARITGLDYES LVKRDVNEVE LARIINNIED FATNVEARTF RSIRNKVKEV 400
401 RPDLDLFEIL KSKNINLYNE LOYELLTRKD 430

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>BspQI GCTCTTC 1293 nt (SEQ ID NO:101)

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ATGAGACGAT TAGCAAAAAA TTCACGGAAC GACAGTTATT TAAGTAATAG
GGATTACCAG GAAATCGTGA GGGAAAATAC CACTACAATA TCGTTTCCCT
TAAAAGAAAA ACATACTCTG ACTTTAACGA AAAAAATAGG GCTAAATCAG
ACTGCTGGAT TCGGAGGATG GTTTTCCCT GATTACCAT GTTTATTAAC
AGTAACTGTA CTATCCTCTT TCGGTACAAA GGTAACCTCT AAAACCTTTA
GCCTTTCTAA AGATTGGAAT CGTGTTGGGC TTGCTTGGAT TAACGAGCAT
TCGAGTGACA CCATAAGCAT TGTCTAGAG TTTAGTGATG TGGAAATAGT
TCATACATGG GGAATTACAT GTGATGTTT TAATGTCCAT GAATTAATTA
TTGATGCTAT AGAAGATCAA AATAAACTAA TAGACGTGCT AAATCAAGAA
CATTTATCTC CTGAAACATA TTATTTAAAC CATGACTCTG ATACTGATTT
AATTGAGAAT TTGGAATCTA CAGAAGAGAT AAAGATAGTT AACCAGGCC
AAAAGCAAAT CTCTTTAAAA AAATGCTGTT ATTGTCAACG TTATATGCCT
GTGAACATAT TAGTTCGTTT AAATTCATCA TTTCAAAAC ACAAGAGTAA
GAAAACGGT TTTCAAATG AATGTCGGC TTGTAAGAAG TGGAGAATAA
ATAATTCATT CAATCCAGTC AGAACAAAAG ACCAACTACA TGAATCAGCA
GTTATTACAC GTGAAAAAAA AATATTACTT AAAGAACCTG AAATATTACA
GAAAATCAAA AATAGAAATA ACGGTGAGGG CTTAAAAAGT ATTATATGGA

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FIG. 44C

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AAAAATTGA TAAAAATGC TTTAATTGTG AAAAAGAATT AACCATTGAA
GAGGTACGCC TAGACCATAC AAGACCACTT GCTTATCTGT GGCCTATCGA
TGAACACGCA ACTTGTTTAT GTGAAAAATG CAACAATACA AAACATGATA
TGTTTCCTAT CGATTTTAT CAAGGGGACG AAGACAAATT AAGACGTTTA
GCTAGAATTA CGGGGTTAGA TTATGAATCT CTAGTTAAGA GGGACGTAA
TGAAGTTGAA CTTGCAAGAA TAATCAATAA CATTGAAGAC TTTGCAACTA
ATGTAGAGGC ACGTACTTTT CGCTCAATAA GAAATAAAGT AAAAGAAGTA
CGTCCCGATA CTGACCTATT TGAAATTCTT AAATCTAAAA ATATTAATTT
ATATAATGAA CTTCAATATG AACTTCTTAC CCGTAAGGAT TAA

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>EagI CGGCCG 301 aa (SEQ ID NO:82)

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MKKRRDLVEV FGYNPMDLSP EVRALWNLGA CPFLNKECIK INHDQTIYIG
TCSVTSPYGD VIICPNRLYA NDYETLHKVS RDAFGDDVPF LTYSNFIKYR
ATYKDCIVAL GKNSGKEVOV GRALSMDWL VRITDGELKE YVGVEIOSID
ITGNYRDAWH AYKNLKPIDI IDNLPTSQHG LNWANVHKRL IPOIIRKGVV
YSRSNYVKKG LYFILPEIVY NKFEDVIGAD IPLKKTQTNK SITVHTYSLG
EPAANGEQRK LISEREIIFD LDEFKRFIT GPNLPGDDL DAVIKKALGM
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>EcoRI GAATTC 277 aa (SEQ ID NO:83)

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MSNKKQSNRL TEQHKLSQGV IGIFGDYAKA HDLAVGEVSK LVKKALSNEY
PQLSFRYRDS IKKTEINEAL KKIDPOLGCT LFVSNSSIKP DGGIVEVKDD
YGEWRVVLVA EAKHOGKDII NIRNGLLVGK RGDQDLMAAG NAIERSHKNI
SEIANFMLE SHFPYVLFLE GSNFLTENIS ITRPDGRVYN LEYNSGILNR
LDRLTAANYG MPINSNLCIN KFNHKKKSI MLOAASIYTO GDGREWDSKI
MFEIMFDIST TSLRVLGRDL FEQLTSK

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>EcoRV GATATC 245 aa (SEQ ID NO:84)

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MSLRSDLINA LYDENQKYDV CGIISAEGKI YPLGSDTKVL STIFELFSRP
IINKIAEKHG YIVEEPKQON HYPDFTLYKP SEPNNKIAID IKTTYTNKEN
EKIKFTLGGY TSFIRNNTKN IVYPFDQYIA HWIIGYVYTR VATRKSSLKT
YNINELNEIP KPYKGVKVFL QDKWVIAGDL AGSGNTTNIG SIHAHYKDFV
EGKGIFDSED EFLDYWRNYE RTSQLRNDKY NNISEYRNWI YRGRK

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>HindIII AAGCTT 300 aa (SEQ ID NO:85)

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MKKSALEKLL SLIENLTNOE FKOATNSLIS FIYKLNRENV IELVRSIGIL
PEATKPSSTQ EKLFSKAGDI VLAKAFQLLN LNSKPLEORG NAGDVIALSK
EFNYGLVADA KSFRLSRTAK NQKDFKVKA SEWREDKDYA VLTAPFFQYP
TTKSQIFKQS LDENVLLFSW EHLAILLQLO LEETNIFPFE QLWNFPKKQS
KKTSSVDAEN NFMHDFNKYF HDLFDKIDKT LNQLLQKEIN FIEERSLIEK
EYWKQINII KNFTREEAIE ALLKIDNMSS KIETIDSFIK GIKSNDRLYL

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FIG. 44D

>HpaI GTTAAC 254 aa (SEQ ID NO:86)

MKYEEINFKV PVESPYYPNY SOCVIERIYS ILRNQKDMGD DRIIINTNLK
KGLPLENINK IAGPMIEAWA EEVFSGIRDN RDNOYNLINV EAQERLGISD
IILOFQVNNN VITGNVDVKA TSNDIPDSGK SPNITSFSRI RTAYVKDPNF
IFIILSIKHS VYVKRNEYTN LNDGIMOIID FNVYDLKYIS DSDISYNPAL
GTGOIQIKDI HYVSSQKRTT WQMCOLLDLK YLRSKKRTIE QFYNEAKRNK
WIKD

>KpnI GGTACC 218 aa (SEQ ID NO:87)

MDVFDKVYSD DNNSYDQKTV SQRIEALFLN NLGKVVTRQQ IIRAATDPKT
GKQPNWHQR LSELRTDKGY TILSWRDMKV LAPQEIYMPH ATRRPKAAKR
VLPTKETWEQ VLDRANYSCE WQEDGQHCGL VEGDIDPIGG GTVKLTPDHM
TPHSIDPATD VNDPKMWQAL CGRHQVMKKN YWDSNNGKIN VIGILOSYNE
KQKNDALFL LNYGLKR

>NcoI CCATGG 288 aa (SEQ ID NO:88)

MATAPGHLG QIIGNVMEEA LKPVLQEMAD RHDLYLDSKG LRPGVRSGL
VTWTDDLGN HDLDFVLERG GSATKAGNPA AFIEAAWRRY TKHSAKAAQ
IQGAVLPVLA AWWNVKPTPA AVVAGQWTAP SLOQMRSNGF VVLHLHFPTT
AQVFGNGIN IEGTGEPTD AFWQQQCDAY TSKSEADKDS LATALRTAHA
QEFRTFVAEL ERRVVRAIDY VVVTPLHGHG SOYTSIENAI EAVRTYSCGE
ESAPFLRFEI RISYNGDVI QATFGSSSDA IEFLDTFN

>NheI GCTAGC 328 aa (SEQ ID NO:89)

MSSYHDDLNI LNVDFNHLRL TELIKLADQA EPFYLWVEKI FRQVSGRADS
LETIIEVEER VVLKMAILTC FTSDEKELPK LFNGVGVYP HIKACYFFFA
WLVRDAATOR LDPLIREAFT QLKSIHPQMK KTELESEIFS QLLVNYRNL
IHFSWPVIRE VLISRLEGR RAARGSYLEL FVRTALAQSI TYFYKIYGN
GKFLDVKIHD KPLKVKNRTY DVVAELIGNN HNTQYLILPV KTRETGGGH
AHLFTRDIEQ SNNDIRELYP NAVIAPVIA ENWSDTEKDL ENVGYNDFH
FSVNPFRFAG FSDVEQIRLN RLVERILL

FIG. 44E

>NotI GCGGCCGC 383 aa (SEQ ID NO:90)

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MRSOTSVEPE GANFIAEFFG HRVYPEVVST EAARNDQATG TCPFLTAAKL
VETSCVKAET SRGVCVVNTA VDNERYDWLV CPNRALDPLF MSAASRKLFG
YGPTEPLQFI AAPTADQAV RDGIREWLDR GVHVVAIFYOE KLGGEISISK
TDSSPEFSFD WTLAEVESIY PVPKIKRYGV LEIQTMDFHG SYKHAVGAID
IALVEGIDFH GWLPTPAGRA ALSKKMEGPN LSNVFKRTFY QMAYKFALSG
HQRCAGTGFA IPSVWKS WL RHLANPTLID NGDGTFS LGD TRNDSENAWI
FVFELDPD TD ASPRLAPHL EIRVNVDTLI DLALRESPRA ALGPSGPVAT
FTDKVEARML RFWPKTRRRR STTPGGQGRGL FDA

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>PstI CTGCAG 326 aa (SEQ ID NO:91)

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MKELKLKEAK EILKALGLPP QOYNDRSGWV LLALANIKPE DSMKEAKAPL
LPTVSIMEFI RTEYGKDYKP NSRETIRROT LHOFEQARIV DRNRDLPSRA
TNSKDNNSYL NOVIIDILHN YPNGWKELI QQFLTHVPSL QELYERALAR
DRIPIKLLDG TQISLSPGEH NQLHADIVHE FCPRFVGDMG KILYIGDTAS
SRNEGGKLMV LDSEYLKKLG VPPMSHDKLP DVVVYDEK RK WFLIEAVTS
HGPISPKRWL ELEAALSSCT VGKVVYTA FP TRTEFRKNAA NIWETE VWI
ADNPDMVHF NGDRFLGPHD KKPELS

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>PvuII CAGCTG 157 aa (SEQ ID NO:92)

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MSPDLNKL ELWPHIQEYQ DLALKHGIND IFQDNGGKLL QVLLITGLTV
LPGREGND AV DNAGQEYELK SINIDLTGKF STHHMNPVI IAKYRQVPWI
FAIRGIAIE AIYRLEPKDL EFYYDKWERK WYSDGHKDIN NPKIPVKYVM
EHGKIY

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FIG. 44F

>SacI GAGCTC 358 aa (SEQ ID NO:93)

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MGITIKKSTA EQVLRKAYEA AASDDVFLED WIFLATSIRE VDAPTYTAA
LVTALLARAC DDRVDPRSIK EKYDDRAFSL RTLCHGVVVP MSVELGFDLG
ATGREPINNO PFFRYDOYSE IVRVOTKARP YLDRVSSALA RVDEEDYSTE
ESFRALVAVL AVCISVANKK QRVAVGSAIV EASLIAETQS FVVSCHDVPR
KLOACVAAGL DMVYSEVVS RINDPSRDFP GDVQVILGDG PLLTVEVRGK
SVSWEGLEQF VSSATYAGFR RVALMVAAS HVSLMSADDL TSALERKYEK
IVKNESVSS FLRDVFWSP RDVHSILSAF PEAMYRRMIE IEVREPELOR
WAEIFPET

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>SalI GTCGAC 315 aa (SEQ ID NO:94)

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MINADKPHRW NDDVQASVRL YNQWFLDAAP KAYRDTROLT IDEVEQAFOR
TANMTSITPE VLKAHPKTLA TLRMSTAPPI ARDLVGLSH GSKSLDTME
KGLPPRMKG DVLDTHLAKM CAVLTDLLOL DLFHWYPTGE PAEPRQRELA
ATVVADRLCG AIADPIVRNA QERRQLALIE EWLLARGYTK KTHSASPLN
THQPGTFSFR QNVVVGSDLP VNIPVDAVIO PHTPHSHKLP ILIEAKSAGO
FTNTNKRKE EATKIHLQLL KYGNEISLTL FLCGYFNTGY LGYSAAEGLD
WVWEHRIDDL EAAGA

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>SapI GCTCTC 432 aa (SEQ ID NO:95)

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MRRLATORRE DAYKSNRDYO TVHEAQLRV NSTDDNLSL FLLKDISPRE
DSKNIVGFGG FVKPEIATM ALTLTDIDK QIKSVPLSSN WNRISIVAKF
ASNPSVSITL GFDOTPWVDF WGINSDIGL SFVSDAVPLE MSMIDSIHA
PETLYLDHSS ACLLDIDPVE STRFKTGHD PLSLKKCSYC GRLLPIDLER
PGKLSFHKHR AKITNHQNEC RSCKWRINN SFNPMRTIDQ LNESALITRE
RKIFLQPEI LQEIKDRTGA GLKSQVWERF HRKCFNCRKD LKLSEVOLDH
TRPLAYLWPI DEHATCLCAQ CNNTKKDRFP VDFYSEQQIR ELSDICGLPY
QDLCARSLNL DQLDRIERNI AEFSKEWDVR TFASTARRIS EVYPARDLFE
TLKKESESAY NKIIEKLKER PDALLDEALP LD

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>SbfI CCTGCAGG 323 aa (SEQ ID NO:96)

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MNSSDGIDGT VASIDTARAL LKRFGFDAQR YNVRSAVTLL ALAGLKPGDR
WVDSTTPRLG VQKINDWSGE HWAKPYATGS REDFRKKTLL QWVDNGFAVL
NADNLNIATN SOLNEYCLSD EALOALRAYG TEGFEESLVV FLDEASKAVK
ARAEALQAAM ISVDLPGGEE FLLSPAGQNP LLKKHVEEFV PRFAPRSTVL
YLGDTGKHS LFEREIFEEV LGLTFDPHGR MPDLILHDEV RGWFLMEAV
KSKGPFDEER HRSLOELFVT PSAGLIFVNC FENRESMRQW LPELAWETEA
WVAEDPDHLI HLNGSRFLGP YER

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FIG. 44G

>ScaI AGTACT 227 aa (SEQ ID NO:97)

MINDQLPRW REARVGTRTG GPAMRPKTSO SPYFGWSEED WPEVTROLLS
EQPLSGDTLV DAVLASWESI FESRLGSGFH IGTQIRPTPO IMGFLLHALI
PLELANGDPS WRADLNSEK DLVYQPDHKY SIEMKTSSHK DQIFGNRSFG
VENPGKGKKA KGGYVAVNF EKWSDAPGRL PRIRTIRYGW LDHTDWAQK
SOTGQSSLP AVVSNTQLLA IHTGGQR

>SphI GCATGC 235 aa (SEQ ID NO:98)

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